To-Day's Weather.
Cloudy; snow; continued cold.

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DUQUESNE GARDEN—Skating; evening, hockey, Royal Military Academy of Canada vs. Bankers.

Ocean Steamship Movements.

Port.	Arrived	Sailed.
Vladivostock	Queen Adelaide.	
Hongkong	Indravelli	
	Olympia	
Tarifa	Columbia	
	Bovic	St. Louis.
	Victoria	Teutonic.
New York	Hohenzollern	Southwark.
St. Johns, N. F.	Osterley	
London	Glenlochy	
Liverpool	Oceanic	Sylvania.
Cherbourg	Deutschland	
Gibraltar	Columbia	
Rotterdam	Potsdam	
Southampton	St. Paul	
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READY TO BEGIN APPLICATION OF CARNEGIE FUND

Plan of Operations Is Announced by Executive Committee.

ONLY DESERVING TO SHARE IN BENEFITS

Present Basis of Distribution Is Said to Be but Temporary.

INCOME $200,000 PER YEAR

The advisory committee of the Andrew Carnegie pension and relief fund yesterday announced more of the preparations and plans for the operation of the fund early in the new year. The income of the $4,000,000 5 per cent gold bonds placed in trust by Andrew Carnegie for the benefit of the employes of the constituent concerns of the Carnegie company and amounting to $200,000 a year will be used as benefits for the disabled and the pensioning of aged or the families of deceased, employes when they are needy through no fault of their own. Employes will not have a claim on the fund simply by reason of their service to the company, and will be made subjects of it at the option of the management of the fund.

While any of the 50,000 employes of the great company may come in for the benefits, this plan avoids the application of the fund to all, whether they need it or not. This provision is expected to make the fund self-supporting and may mean the accumulation of a surplus each year, which will go to a wider application of Mr. Carnegie's plan. In these particulars the plan will be unlike the pension and benefit system of the Pennsylvania railroad, and will operate entirely as the munificence of Mr. Carnegie.

The Advisory Committee.

The advisory committee is composed of Charles L. Taylor, ex-assistant to the president of the Carnegie Steel Company, Limited, who is chairman; Thomas Morrison, general superintendent of the Edgar Thomson steel works and a director of the Carnegie company; Thomas Lynch, president of the H. C. Frick Coke Company and a director of the Carnegie company; D. G. Kerr, general manager of ore supply; E. H. Utley, general manager of the Bessemer & Lake Erie railroad, and H. J. Lindsay, assistant to the president of the Carnegie Steel Company. Mr. Taylor will be the head of the department, Mr. Lindsay will be the manager, and Frank M. Wilmot, formerly with the superintendent of the Pennsylvania railroad relief department, will be assistant manager.

In relation to the fund the advisory committee yesterday issued this statement:

Prior to his retirement from active business last spring, Andrew Carnegie tendered to the board of directors of The Carnegie Company the sum of $4,000,000 to be held in trust, and the income to be used as a pension and relief fund for his old employes. This fund was not intended to be used as a substitute for what the company has been in the habit of doing in such cases, but its object was to go still further and give to the injured or their families, or to such employes as are needy in old age, through no fault of their own, some provision against want as long as it was needed, or as long as they made proper use of it.

Operations Begin Soon.

In order to properly distribute the income of this trust fund, amounting to $200,000 per annum, and for the purpose of organizing a department, the board of directors of the Carnegie Company appointed an advisory committee to formulate rules and regulations for the purpose of carrying out the intention of Mr. Carnegie's great benefaction.

After much painstaking consideration, looking to the disposal of this large sum of money, the advisory committee has about completed its labors and hopes that the department will become operative early in the new year, upon a temporary basis at least, pending the perfection of the plan, and defining the scope of Mr. Carnegie's munificence. The rules and regulations as they now stand, and in accordance with Mr. Carnegie's letter to the board of directors, provide for the taking care of employes of the Carnegie Company, who may be disabled by accident in the service of the company, or who may, after long and faithful service become incapacitated for further labor, and for the widows and young children of the employes who are killed in the service, or who have died after long and faithful employment, and left their families in need through no fault of their own.

It is not intended that any employe by virtue of his employment should have a claim upon the fund, but all those who are needy or in want, or injured in service through no fault of their own, or who have served long and faithfully, will have the privilege of application to the benefits of the fund, and all such applications will receive the most careful and thorough consideration by the advisory committee.

Pennsylvania Station for Elizabeth.

ELIZABETH, N. J., Dec. 18.—(Special.)—The Pennsylvania railroad is contemplating, it is said, the erection of a fine railroad station at Elizabeth for its eastbound passenger travel to New York, which has greatly increased.

NO TROUBLE OVER HIS GREAT OFFER, SAYS CARNEGIE

TEN MILLION PROBABLY ONLY THE BEGINNING

It Is Believed He Will Increase His Endowment as the University Develops.

THE PITTSBURGH GAZETTE BUREAU,
930 Fifteenth St., N. W.,
WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 18.

Andrew Carnegie made his appearance at the White House this evening in response to an invitation from the president and took lunch with the chief executive and Secretary Root. His mission, it is understood, is to simplify the tangle in connection with his offer to give $10,000,000 to found a national university.

As there is objection to accepting this sum in bonds of the United States Steel Company, Mr. Carnegie will tender a cash offer. The veteran ironmaster is so well pleased with the idea that he is now seriously considering the advisability of emulating Mrs. Leland Stanford, and increasing his gift to $25,000,000.

The statement is made tonight that the matter is still undeveloped, and that there is nothing to be said on the subject for publication.

Mr. Carnegie left the city late in the afternoon. He was quoted as saying as he was leaving the White House that there would be no trouble about the gift—that the matter would come out all right.

Mr. Carnegie came to Washington late last night at the request of President Roosevelt and lunched at the White House today. Before his arrival, however, the president summoned Secretaries Gage and Root and had a long consultation with them in relation to the proposed gift. During the conference today Secretary Root was again called in for consultation and remained for an hour. Mr. Carnegie went directly from the White House to the station and took the 4 o'clock train for New York.

Friends of Mr. Carnegie refuse to say he has already increased his gift to $25,000,000, but it is hinted that it is his intention to use the $10,000,000 as a basis and then increase the amount as the university extends and develops.

GERMANY MAY RAISE OBJECTIONS TO CANAL.

Will Contend That a Concession to a Steamship Line Gives Her the Right to Interfere.

[SPECIAL TELEGRAM TO THE GAZETTE.]
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WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 18.—It has just come to light that the German empire expects to have something to say about the Nicaragua canal because of the interests of a German corporation in a concession that will be interfered with and possibly destroyed by the construction of the canal.

This interest has been obtained through the purchase by the Hamburg-American Steamship Company of the Atlas Steamship Company. The former is a German corporation and the latter is British. The Hamburg-American Company is subsidized by the German government and its ships can be called upon for auxiliary cruisers of the German navy in time of war. It is the same line that recently endeavored to get from the Colombian government a coaling station near Cartagena, which, it was believed by the United States consul there, would, if granted, become the first foothold of the German navy on the western hemisphere.

This government takes the position that the German company and the German government can do nothing in the way of interfering with the building of the canal and that the United States will not be drawn into the controversy. It regards the concession as a matter between the holders and the republic of Nicaragua, and will look to Nicaragua to terminate the concession and reimburse the holders.

RAIL POOL INTACT.

Prices of That Product Will Remain at $28 for Another Year at Least.

NEW YORK, Dec. 18.—The Journal of Commerce will say tomorrow:

It is reported that the steel rail pool will continue in force another year under the present agreement. In other words, if this report is true prices will continue to rule at $28 per ton until the end of 1902. Included in the steel rail pool are the following:

Federal Steel Company, National Steel Company, Lackawanna Iron & Steel Company, Pennsylvania Steel Company, Tennessee Coal, Iron & Railroad Company, Carnegie Steel Company of the United States Steel Corporation, Colorado Fuel & Iron Company and the Maryland Steel Company.

CONTRACTS FOR PITTSBURGH.

Baltimore & Ohio Orders Three Thousand Pressed Steel Cars From This City.

BALTIMORE, Dec. 18.—The Baltimore & Ohio Railroad Company have awarded contracts for supplies aggregating $7,000,000. The largest orders have been placed with the following companies:

The American Locomotive Company for 48 consolidation locomotives, the Harlan & Hollingsworth Company of Wilmington, Del., 25 passenger cars and one combined passenger and baggage car; the Pressed Steel Car Company of Pittsburgh, 3,000 steel hopper cars of 100,000 pounds capacity; the American Car and Foundry Company, 1,300 box cars of 100,000 pounds capacity.

ANOTHER CHANCE FOR CARNEGIE.

A Binghamton Business Man Suggests That He Found Young Men's Clubs That Would Be Substitutes for Saloons.

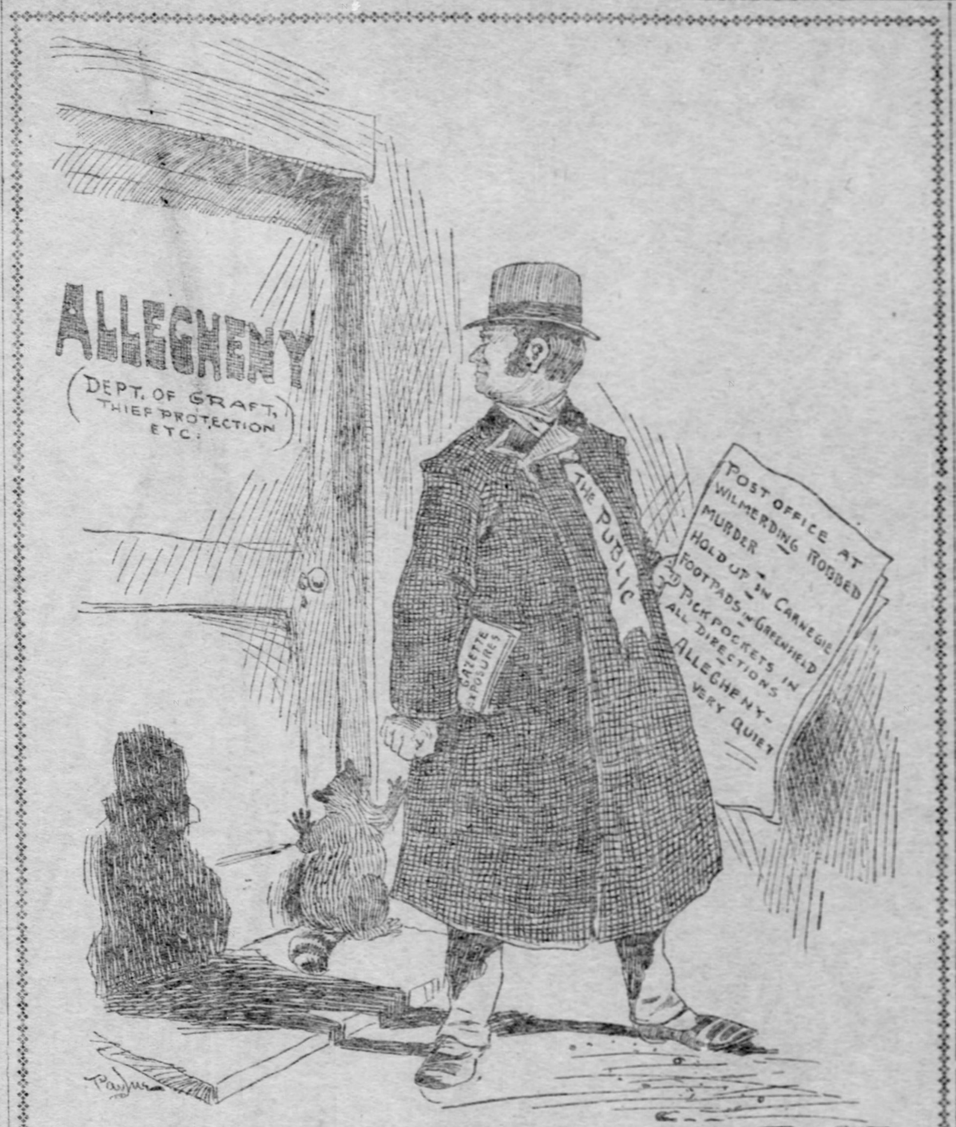
[SPECIAL TELEGRAM TO THE GAZETTE.]

BINGHAMTON, N. Y., Dec. 18.—C. A. Wilkinson, a wealthy financier of this city, has made a proposition to Andrew Carnegie, which, if carried out, will result in the establishment of clubs in the principal cities of the United States for the children of the working classes, the object being to attract the youths from the saloons.

The project came to life through letters received by Mr. Wilkinson, who is the head of a big manufacturing concern, from prisoners in a state reformatory, saying that during their terms of imprisonment they had learned a trade and wished a chance to work at it.

Mr. Wilkinson says the churches are doing all they can for the young men, but they are only opened once a week, while the saloons are open every night, and the young man who in his boyhood went to church after his day's labor, seeks the only place open to him for recreation, the saloon.

Mr. Wilkinson proposes that the rate of membership be placed so low as to be within in reach of all, and that the club be devoted to the entertainment of the young men in their leisure hours, making this resort so attractive that they would have no desire to frequent saloons.



The Center of Public Gaze.

CHANGE IN SITE WILL CALL FOR NEW BOND ISSUE

EXPENDITURE WOULD BE NEARLY $2,000,000

Details of Scheme to Ignore Mr. Carnegie's Preferences Are Coming to Light.

A bond issue of approximately $2,000,000 is to go with the new site proposed by the city administration for the Carnegie polytechnic school. This is the latest development in the movement to ignore the preferences of Mr. Carnegie and the trustees of the institute.

William McConway, a member of the commission appointed by Recorder J. O. Brown and the author of the scheme to change the site from Forbes and Boquet streets to the Schenley tract between Fifth and Center avenues, returned from the east yesterday. He denied that he had seen Mr. Carnegie.

"When Mr. Carnegie was in Pittsburgh last month he expressed a preference for the Forbes street site adjoining Schenley park. Has he changed his mind?" Mr. McConway was asked.

"Not that I have heard of. I have had no communication with Mr. Carnegie since he was here," replied Mr. McConway.

"Where will you get the money to buy the property north of the Schenley?"

"The people could vote the money."

"How much would this tract cost?"

"I can't say just what it would cost. Even if I knew it would not be policy for me to say at the present time."

"How many acres are there in the site that you are in favor of buying?"

"About 50. I understand that it can be purchased. I think the estimate of $50,000 an acre is too high," said Mr. McConway.

"Have you any other site in view besides the Schenley farm property?"

"Yes, there is a piece of ground in Forbes street some distance above the institute," answer Mr. McConway."

It is estimated that the Schenley farm property, between Center and Fifth avenues, would cost the city between $1,500,000 and $2,000,000. There is not now sufficient money available to buy it.

The municipality can acquire a bonded indebtedness to the amount of 7 per cent of its total valuation. According to the last triennial assessment this is $300,000,000. Seven per cent of this amount is $21,000,000.

The present bonded indebtedness of the city is not over $18,000,000. This leaves a margin of $3,000,000. Present plans are to make use of this without delay. The proceeds are to be divided between the filtration plant and the polytechnic school. At least $2,500,000 is to be asked for the completion of the former.

WESTINGHOUSE IN EUROPE.

French Company Formed to Exploit His Patents on the Continent.

NEW YORK, Dec. 18.—Private advices have just reached this city from Paris that a large French company has been organized to acquire the patent rights of the Westinghouse electrical machinery, gas engines and airbrakes in various countries in continental Europe. The company, which is styled the Societe Anonyme Westinghouse (the Westinghouse Joint Stock Company) of Paris, is capitalized at 20,000,000 francs. It acquires the Societe Industrielle Westinghouse, a concern having a capital of 10,000,000 francs, which hitherto looked after the Westinghouse business in France and operated a large factory at Havre.

In addition to operating in France the new concern will do business in Westinghouse equipment throughout Italy, Belgium and Switzerland.

An Investment.

The oldest financiers in the country have invested largely in life insurance in late years. The investment features of the Mutual Life's policies are considered the best and safest.

COURT OF LABOR WILL ARRANGE TERMS OF PEACE

Senator Hanna Heads Committee of Arbitration and Conciliation

ENTHUSIASM MARKS THE PROCEEDINGS

Conflicts Between Workers and Financiers Are Things of the Past.

ERA OF PEACE AT HAND

[SPECIAL TELEGRAM TO THE GAZETTE.]

NEW YORK, Dec. 18.—Judges of the new court of labor declared enthusiastically at the conclusion of their private session today that they had practically arranged the terms for a treaty of peace between capital and labor. It was difficult to tell who were the more enthusiastic, the representatives of the great industries who had gathered for the conference or the trades unionists who had listened to them and offered them suggestions. All believed that steps had been taken to conciliate effectively interests that have often warred through misunderstanding.

The meeting had been called to bring together the newly selected arbitrators so that they could discuss the scope of their work, adopt preliminary resolutions, elect permanent officers and appoint a committee to draft by-laws. This work was accomplished without friction. The officers elected were: Chairman, United States Senator Mark A. Hanna; vice chairmen, Samuel Gompers and Oscar S. Straus, treasurer, Charles A. Moore, and secretary, Ralph M. Easley.

Those named as a committee on by-laws are Mr. Straus, S. W. Callaway, James H. Eckels, John J. McCook, Mr. Gompers and Harry White. This committee will report a set of by-laws to the executive committee at a meeting to be held about the last week in January, the date of which will be set by the chairman.

Hanna Is Enthusiastic.

The members of the committee who met in the rooms of the board of trade and transportation included Archbishop John Ireland, former Secretary of the Interior Cornelius N. Bliss, John Mitchell, Frank P. Sargent, James Duncan, Daniel J. Keefe, Charles M. Schwab, S. R. Callaway, Lewis Nixon, Marcus M. Marks, James M. Lynch and John D. Rockefeller, Jr.

The most important section of the resolutions adopted is that conferences should be held to settle differences and disputes before an acute stage is reached in order to avoid strikes or lockouts. Questions at issue may be submitted to the department as a whole or to a subcommittee to be named for the purpose. The department will not consider abstract industrial problems.

As Senator Hanna was rushing away from the conference intending to catch the afternoon train for Washington, he said:

"I think that we shall accomplish great results. All has been harmonious thus far."

"Have the out-of-town members appointed, including Grover Cleveland, signified their intentions about accepting?" Senator Hanna was asked.

"Most of them have not yet been heard from," was the reply. "There are persons on the committee who vouch for

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BRITISH MONEY BUYS OIL FIELDS AT BEAUMONT

INTENDS TO SUPPLY THE EUROPEAN MARKET

Will Try to Upset American Law Shutting Out Foreign Coast Vessels.

[SPECIAL TELEGRAM TO THE GAZETTE.]

NEW YORK, Dec. 18.—An important deal has just been consummated whereby British capitalists have acquired a substantial interest in the Texas oil fields and will ship large quantities of oil to European markets. The capitalists are represented by the Roche-Stuart syndicate, London. This syndicate has purchased the Hogg-Swayne property, on which about three-eighths of the producing wells at Beaumont are located. The purchase price is stated to have been in the neighborhood of $6,000,000.

The crude oil will be carried by pipe line from the Texas fields to Port Arthur, a distance of about 20 miles, where it will be shipped by British tank steamers to various parts of Europe. Eleven steamers will be employed in the service. The first voyage is scheduled to be made from Port Arthur February 19, when a cargo of 35,000 barrels of crude oil will be exported to Cette for Spanish refining purposes. Regular consignments are also to be sent to Rouen and Havre, France, also to Middlesboro-on-Tees and London, England.

It is said the oil can be carried to Europe cheaper than it now can be shipped to Baltimore, Philadelphia, New York or Boston.

The Roche-Stuart syndicate has already issued contracts for the construction of storage tanks of large capacity, pipe lines from the oil fields to Port Arthur and for the building of a refinery at that place, which in all will entail an expenditure of nearly $300,000. In the Port Arthur refinery, which will be in operation by February 1 and will have a daily capacity of 6,000 barrels, solar oil will be turned out for London gas companies, who will utilize it to enrich the qualities of their gas.

In addition to its shipments of oil abroad the concern proposes to ask almost immediately for a ruling from the circuit court at Washington to show cause why it cannot utilize a British tug to haul American barges with oil cargoes from Port Arthur to Baltimore, Philadelphia, New York and Boston.

FIGHT TO THE DEATH WHILE A WOMAN LOOKS ON

ONE MAN KILLED AND THREE ARE WOUNDED

Trouble May Have Been Precipitated by Jealousy Over Two Women.

UNIONTOWN, PA., Dec. 18.—(Special.)—A cold-blooded duel was fought here last night between Daniel Bradburn and David Fagan in a little room in a boarding house. Bradburn was almost instantly killed and his slayer is in jail with a bullet hole through his breast.

The men boarded at William Hall's house, and yesterday the troubles that resulted in the duel apparently began. James Christopher had some money stolen from his room Monday night and Bradburn tried to make the people of the house believe another boarder guilty. Brandburn was suspected and during the discussion David Fagan said that he believed Brandburn had stolen the money from him also and accused him boldly of it. Bradburn came to the Hall house during the day in a quarrelsome condition and began assaulting the inmates and threatened that he would kill Fagan before morning. Fagan had Bradburn arrested for assault and this aggravated the trouble. After his arrest Bradburn came to the Hall house and threatened death to Christopher and Fagan.

Both men were out until late last night and when Bradburn came to the Hall house Fagan was sitting in a room with others, eating some oysters. Bradburn rushed right into the room and flourished his new revolver in Fagan's face, saying, "Now —— you, get your gun and we'll shoot turn about."

Fagan went upstairs the back way to his room to get his revolver. He found it and started downstairs, followed by Mrs. Hall who was trying to prevent further trouble. As Fagan entered the room in which Bradburn was Mrs. Hall had him by the arm in which he held his revolver. When he entered he said: "I am no cur; when I have to defend myself, I can do it." Bradburn said, with an oath: "I mean to kill you. I have killed one man down at the canal in Cumberland with a chair by hitting him in the head, and I will kill you," and as he said this he threw his gun up. Mrs. Hall grabbed it and as she did it was discharged, the bullet going through her hand, breaking her middle finger.

Wounded as she was the determined woman was obliged to relinquish her hold and let the two men settle their quarrel. Shot after shot followed until each man had exhausted his five chambers.

After the revolvers were emptied Bradburn walked across the room and threw himself sideways across the bed with his legs and feet hanging over the bed. Mrs. Hall picked up his legs and placed them on the bed and about 20 minutes after he died. Three bullets had entered his body, one in the mouth and one on each side, yet notwithstanding this he fought until his ammunition was exhausted.

Mr. Hall, who had remained in the dining room during the fight, was wounded in the ear.

After the shooting Fagan left the house, but returned in about 20 minutes. He told Mrs. Hall that he had been shot through the side and that he was going to die. Mrs. Hall and her mother tried to keep him in the house, but he would not stay and left.

Fagan was away all night, but returned to the Hall house about 11 o'clock this morning and asked for something to eat. He said after the trouble he walked up the Southwest railway track, near Leith and slept all night in a hay mow. County Detective McNeth went to the Hall house, placed him under arrest and took him to jail, where he claimed that he had shot in self-defense.

Bradburn's correct name is Daniel Nase and the initials "D. N." are tattoed on his left arm. He left Cumberland on account of trouble, and has since gone under the name of Bradburn. At the coroner's inquest this afternoon two girls appeared, and their connection with the men may later develop the real cause of the tragedy.

FUEL OIL CARRIES ITS FIRST SHIP OVER SEA.

Lands in Philadelphia From England, but With Very Little of Her Petroleum Supply Left.

[SPECIAL TELEGRAM TO THE GAZETTE.]

PHILADELPHIA, PA., Dec. 18.—The first steamship that ever crossed the Atlantic ocean with steam generated by liquid fuel instead of coal, has just dropped anchor in the Delaware. She is the British tanker Clam, commanded by Capt. Evans, and is owned in London by Samuels & Co. The voyage was a success, but the Clam had little of her fuel oil left when she reached her destination.

The Clam is fitted with three ordinary return tube boilers. The oil-burning apparatus consists of a steam generator which atomizes the oil and discharges it into furnaces. A firebrick structure is fitted upon which the oil impinges so as to secure complete combustion. One injector is fitted to each furnace.

Fuel oil has been burned with success for years by steamers trading on the Caspian sea, and in 1903 the British tanker James Brand was built in England to burn liquid fuel. She attempted to cross the Atlantic on her maiden trip, generating steam by this means, but after steaming less than one-third of the distance coal had to be used. The Clam has now established the success of oil as fuel by crossing the Atlantic in the roughest season of the year.

ANOTHER BLIZZARD IS COMING.

Weather Bureau Predicts a Big Drop in Temperature, Probably Accompanied by a Heavy Snowstorm.

Another cold wave is approaching Pittsburgh. It hails from the home of blizzards in the far northwest, and its full force is expected to reach this vicinity today. Yesterday afternoon the reports, sent out from Washington, prophesied a warm spell. A disturbance, central in Colorado, had caused a decided rise in temperature, over the Dakotas, and southwesterly into Texas. It was expected that this storm would move in a northeasterly direction to the lake region.

Late last evening, however, it was observed that a rapid decline in temperature was taking place throughout the northwest country. Chicago showed almost a zero temperature and falling thermometer, while at other points the weather was much colder. The storm in the west is accompanied by snow, the fall in Nebraska and Missouri being quite heavy.

The outer edge of the cold area reached this city early last evening. At 8 o'clock the thermometer stood at 11 degrees, or 1 degree colder than at 8 o'clock in the morning. There was a dampness in the atmosphere that made it seem colder than it really was, and foretold the coming snowstorm.

SCHLEY'S WISH IS FOR PLACE ON THE RECORD

Doesn't Really Expect Court Verdict Will Be Annulled.

BILL OF EXCEPTIONS SUBMITTED TO LONG

Secretary Asked to Disapprove Findings and Refer Papers Back to Court.

WILL NOT BE GRANTED

[SPECIAL TELEGRAM TO THE GAZETTE.]
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WASHINGTON, Dec. 18.—Rear Admiral Winfield Scott Schley filed with Secretary Long this afternoon a statement of his objections to the findings of the court of inquiry. These prayers were submitted.

That the secretary of the navy disapprove the findings of the majority of the court of inquiry.

That the statement of objections filed by Rear Admiral Schley be referred to the court for consideration and action.

Neither of these prayers, it is stated authoritatively, will be granted, as no substantial reason therefor, it is alleged, has been advanced. Secretary Long will also decline the request of counsel for Rear Admiral Schley, and the like request made by counsel for Rear Admiral Sampson, that they be permitted to make oral argument upon the question of the command of the American squadron during the battle with Cervera's fleet.

The nature of objections signed by Rear Admiral Schley was brought to the navy department by Mr. Tracy, counsel for the applicant. Following its receipt by the secretary a conference occurred between the secretary and Judge Advocate Lemly and Solicitor of the Navy Hanna. On the termination of the conference none of the officials who participated in it would discuss the decision arrived at. Nevertheless, the impression prevails that the secretary will take no action until after the receipt tomorrow morning of the bill of exceptions which will be filed by counsel for Rear Admiral Sampson against the individual opinion expressed by Admiral Dewey, that Rear Admiral Schley was in absolute command during the battle of Santiago and entitled to all the credit for the victory.

Schley's Object Is to Go on Record.

There is no disposition on the part of the department to prolong a controversy which has become a festering sore upon the navy and Secretary Long is expected to issue an order, after considering both Rear Admiral Schley's objections and those submitted to Rear Admiral Sampson's counsel, dissolving the court of inquiry. He will then make up his mind upon the findings of the court.

Mr. Tracy, after visiting Secretary Long this afternoon, admitted that Rear Admiral Schley did not expect that the department would grant his request that his statement of objections be referred to the court. The real object is merely desirous of having his paper filed with the record so that the future historians will be able to consider its views as well as that of the court of inquiry.

While Rear Admiral Schley merely excepts to all the findings of the court, save that of his good faith, and is satisfied with Admiral Dewey's individual expression, it was noted by officials of the department that in his statement he does not submit principle or opinion to the opinion that he should have proceeded from Cienfuegos to Santiago de Cuba with all dispatch; that he should not have made the retrograde movement with his squadron, and that he should have promptly obeyed the Department's orders of May 29. He does not, in connection with the last two findings, that the court failed to consider the testimony showing that the ships considered information to him that the Spanish ships were not in Santiago harbor.

Willing to Endure Criticism.

Explaining the action of Rear Admiral Schley in not making specific exceptions of these points Mr. Tracy said Rear Admiral Schley asked for the findings as they are, as he is perfectly willing to abide by a measure of censure, part of the evidence established that it is ill-fated.

The text of the bill of exceptions is as follows:

To the Honorable the Secretary of the Navy:

Winfield Scott Schley, rear admiral U. S. N., retired, the applicant before a court of inquiry of which Admiral George Dewey, U. S. N., is president, and Rear Admirals Albert K. Benham and Francis M. Ramsay, U. S. N., members, and Capt. Samuel C. Lemly, U. S. N., judge advocate general, judge advocate, to the approval of the findings of the court of inquiry of which I have been informed and the reports of facts made by it a majority of the court are in conflict with the overwhelming weight of evidence, and that the majority of the court, in their said opinion, have ignored the testimony of the applicant and of the whole of the applicant's witnesses, and all that portion of the evidence given by witnesses for the government which was favorable to the applicant, and have thereby deprived him of every opportunity to have the views of the board and the conclusions of the United States and the applicant to assign the following grounds in support of his said objection:

The Objection Stated.

First—The majority of the court have given their opinion that Commodore Schley should have proceeded with the utmost celerity to Cienfuegos, when there was no consideration covering this subject, and when the applicant did not have sufficient opportunity to bring in proper and convincing evidence in relation thereto, and when the only evidence taken by the court on this subject was directly contrary to the opinion rendered.

Second—The majority of the court have held that the applicant should have endeavored to coöperate communication with the insurgents at the place designated in the memorandum by Commander McCalla, delivered to him on the morning of the 25th of May, 1898, when, in fact, there was no place mentioned in said memorandum as being in charge at which a coöperation with the insurgents was to be formed.

Third—The majority of the court have arrived at the opinion stated in the foregoing paragraph without regard to the fact, which was proven by an overwhelming weight of testimony, that the said McCalla memorandum was sent to Commodore Schley only for use in connection with the information it contained relative to certain batteries at or being constructed in the vicinity of the entrance to the harbor of Cienfuegos, as is attested by the Cable No. 6, dated May 24, 1898, and sent to Commodore Schley by Admiral Sampson.

Fourth—The majority of the court, in the opinion rendered, held that Commodore Schley should have maintained a close blockade of Cienfuegos, whereas by overwhelming testimony it was proved that a close and effective blockade of that port was maintained, the judge advocate having subsequently abandoned any charge to the contrary.

Fifth—The majority of the court, in the opinion rendered, have evidently ignored the uncontradicted testimony proving that the British steamer Adela was permitted to enter into the harbor of Cienfuegos in order that

be obtained through her an ...anish fleet was then in that ...ceed clearly established that ...captain of the said British steamer Adula ...ained and agreed before pilotage ...en him to enter the port, that he would ...ng his ship out in fewer than 24 hours and ...the information desired.

Sixth—The majority of the court, in the ...ion rendered, have entirely failed to re... to dispatch No. 7, admitted to have been ...Admiral Sampson, of May 19, wherein, ...day, the construction of which was agreed ...in in the argument of the case, to wit: ...it was an imperative order for Commo... Schley to hold his squadron off Cienfuegos, ...whether the Spanish fleet was or was not ...that port.

Seventh—The majority of the court, in the ...ion rendered, have entirely ignored the ...mitted fact that the commander of the ...ing failed to communicate the situation at ...ienfuegos to Commodore Schley.

Eighth—The majority of the court, in the ...ion rendered, have entirely ignored the ...undisputed evidence in the case that Capt. ... Evans, keeping the meaning of ...Signal lights on shore at Cienfuegos, failed ...communicate his information concerning ...on Commodore Schley.

Ninth—The majority of the court, in the ...ion rendered, have entirely ignored the ...port of facts submitted, declare that the ...hat lights on shore near Cienfuegos were ...n by Commodore Schley on the night of ...May 23, 1898, whereas in fact the overwhelming ...ight of both oral and documentary evidence ...ved that Commodore Schley saw and had ...owledge of those lights only on the night ...May 22, and at no other time.

Points the Verdict Ignored.

Tenth—The majority of the court, in the ...ion rendered, have silent on the point ...the following charge preferred by the judge ...ocate against Commodore Schley during the ...gress of the investigation, namely, that ...did not mask his movements in departing ...m in front of the port of Cienfuegos, but by ...ing ample warning he revealed the destina... of the squadron to the enemy, notwithstanding the fact that by overwhelming weight ...testimony this charge was entirely dis...ed.

Eleventh—The majority of the court have ...ed their opinion in reference to the retro... movement upon a statement made in ...e respect that Commodore Schley, ...ore sailing from Cienfuegos, received ...ble information that ships could be coaled ...the vicinity of Cape Cruz and Gonaives ...ays, and it is now respectfully denied that ...re was any such positive testimony in ...s case; every witness with one exception ...o was examined on the subject, disavowed ...knowledge in reference thereto, and the ...contradicted testimony of Capt. F. E. Cook ...tablishes the fact that the official charts ...th which the flagship Brooklyn was supplied, ...d upon which Commodore Schley was com...lled to rely for information, showed coaling ...e Cape Cruz to be neither feasible nor prac...ble, and the records clearly show that not ...till the 24th of May, three days after the ...ght of Cienfuegos, when Capt. Charles S. Cotton ...ited the flagship Brooklyn, did Commodore ...hley receive any definite information con...rning the feasibility or practicability of ...ing ships from a collier in Gonaives chan...el, all of which facts have been wholly ...ored by the majority of the court in formu...ting the said report of facts.

Sigsbee's Assurance Overlooked.

Twelfth—The majority of the court, in stat...g in its report of facts that Commodore ...hley received no positive information from ...e scout ships as to the presence of the ...ish fleet in the harbor of Santiago, utterly ...ignored the overwhelming testimony in proof ...f the fact that Capt. C. D. Sigsbee did ...efinitely report to Commodore Schley, and to ...thers, that the Spanish fleet was not in the ...arbor of Santiago.

Thirteenth—The opinion of the majority of ...e court and the report of facts entirely ...ent on the subject of the proven and ad...itted failure of Capts. Wise and Jewell to ...ommunicate the information they had received ...reference to the presence of the Spanish ...et in the harbor of Santiago to Commodore ...hley.

Fourteenth—That the report of facts sub...itted by the court states that the conditions ...f wind, sea and weather from noon on May ...to June 1 were favorable for taking coal ...om at Cienfuegos, whereas the testimony, ...is statement has been directly controverted by ...e evidence of the witnesses for the govern...ent.

Fifteenth—The tables prepared by govern...ent experts and admitted in evidence before ...e court, showing the coal supply of the ...ree of the Texas squadron, and the distance ...their coaling capacity, proceeding at full ...peed with forced draught, have not even been ...eferred to in the report of facts.

Sixteenth—There has not been the slightest ...eference made by the majority of the court ...o the orders of the honorable secretary of ...avy, entered and passed in evidence, forbid...ing the hazarding of American ships ...gainst shore batteries, and the court has de...ided against the applicant upon the seventh ...pecification of the precept, without so much ...s the slightest degree referring to this important ...vidence.

Seventeenth—The majority of the court have ...ntirely failed to give any opinion as to the ...haracter of the blockade of Santiago, al...hough the same was included in the eighth ...pecification of the precept, and by specific di...ection the court was obligated to give an ...pinion thereupon.

Schley Justified in Sparing Colon.

Eighteenth—The majority opinion of the ...ourt, that Commodore Schley should have en...eavored to capture or destroy the Spanish ...essels at anchor near the entrance of San...iago harbor on May 29 and 30, and that he ...id not do so utterly with his force under ...is command to capture or destroy the Colon ...nd other vessels of the enemy, on May 31, is ...holly at variance with the orders under ...hich Commodore Schley was acting before ...antiago, said orders, as is attested by No. 8, ...ated May 21, 1898, and sent by Admiral ...ampson to Commodore Schley, restricting his ...peration to the establishment and maintenance ...f a blockade of the port of Santiago if the ...ame should be found impracticable, and also said ...pinion is utterly and absolutely at variance ...ith the overwhelming weight of testimony ...ecorded, which established the fact that the ...ffair of May 31 was predetermined upon and ...xecuted as a reconnoissance, and not as a ...ormal attack upon the Spanish vessels, or ...pon the said batteries at the entrance to the ...arbor of Santiago.

Nineteenth—The majority opinion of the ...ourt is ambiguous and indeterminate in that ...he court holds the turn of the Brooklyn to ...tarboard was made to avoid getting her into ...angerous proximity to the Spanish vessels, ...hereas the evidence is overwhelming that ...ame proximity was due to the personal fears ...f Commodore Schley or to a desire on his ...art to preserve the ship intact and ready for ...ramming purposes in the effort to win a victory ...rom the enemy.

Twentieth—The majority of the court have ...ntirely ignored the overwhelming testimony ...ubmitted in the case, in arriving at the opin...on that Commodore Schley erred in com...mencing the engagement on July 1 with the ...battleship, the evidence in the case clearly ...stablishing the fact that in the execution of ...he standing order to close in and attack in ...harbor entrance it was impossible for the ...Brooklyn, without turning away from the ene...my, to open the engagement except with her ...port battery; and the evidence also clearly es...tablishes the fact that the turning of the ...Brooklyn in the manner and direction in which ...she did turn, did not cause her to lose either ...distance or position with the Spanish vessels, ...the contrary opinion of the court upon this ...subject being arrived at only by disregarding ...all of the evidence offered in behalf of Com...modore Schley.

Danger of the Texas Imaginary.

Twenty-first—The majority of the court is ...ambiguous and indeterminate, in that while ...stating that the Brooklyn's turning caused the ...Texas to stop and "to back her engines to ...avoid possible collision," said opinion does not ...state whether the danger of such collision, as ...comprehended by the ninth specification of the ...precept, was real or imaginary, whereas the ...overwhelming weight of testimony clearly es...tablished the fact that at no time was there ...danger of collision between the Brooklyn and ...the Texas.

Twenty-second—The testimony of Capt. F. ...E. Cook, a witness called by the judge advo...cate, in reference to the proximity of the ...Brooklyn to the Texas at the time of the ...Brooklyn's turning, has been ignored and not ...even adverted to in the statement of pertinent ...facts.

Twenty-third—The majority of the court ...have construed that the testimony of Lieut. ...Commander A. C. Hodgson, notwithstanding ...its repeated contradiction in reference to the ...alleged conversation regarding the proximity ...of the Texas at the time of the Brooklyn's ...turning, is true, and have entirely ignored the ...testimony of Commodore Schley and Capt. F. ...E. Cook to the contrary, without even referring ...to it in their statement of pertinent facts.

Twenty-fourth—The majority opinion of the ...court, that Commodore Schley's conduct in ...connection with the events of the Santiago ...campaign, prior to June 1, 1898, was character...ized by vacillation, distoriness and lack ...of enterprise, is in no wise justified by the ...evidence submitted in the case, and could ...only have been advanced by the action of the ...court in wholly ignoring all of the evidence ...of Commodore Schley, all of the evidence of ...witnesses summoned in his behalf, and all that ...portion of the evidence of witnesses called by ...the judge advocate which was favorable to the ...said Commodore Schley.

One Charge Lost Sight Of.

Twenty-fifth—The majority opinion of the ...court is inconsistent in that it is entirely si...lent upon a charge preferred by the judge ad...vocate during the course of the public inves...tigation and claimed by him to come within ...the purview of the first specification, to wit: ...That the said Commodore Schley was derelict ...in the discharge of his duty, and unmindful ...of the regulations for the government of the ...navy of the United States, in that he did not ...prescribe and promulgate sanitary orders ...of battle.

Twenty-sixth—The majority of the court ...have entirely failed to announce as to who ...was in command of the American naval forces ...engaged in the battle of Santiago, the finding ...of which facts is absolutely necessary in ...order to determine properly the first specifica...tion of the precept as to the conduct of Com...modore Schley in connection with the events ...of the Santiago campaign.

Twenty-seventh—The majority of the court ...have rejected the whole of the testimony of...fered on behalf of the applicant, and have not ...entered in such testimony, and have entirely ...ignored the testimony of the applicant him...self, who was on the stand for many hours ...and subjected to the most searching examina...tion; and by no dodge can they hide the ...ends of justice; that if this testimony was ...all false they should have so announced, and ...failed or part of it true the said applicant was entitled to the benefit of it, and by ...declining to consider or pass upon it they ...have denied a part of this common law and ...constitutional rights.

Twenty-eighth—That the majority of the ...court have found the applicant guilty upon ...specifications which were abandoned by the judge advocate, as will appear ...from the argument in the case.

Discrimination Between Witnesses.

Twenty-ninth—That the whole proceedings ...show that the majority of the court, in the ...opinion and report of facts rendered, have ...selected the testimony of a few hostile wit...nesses, and upon that testimony based the ...said opinion and report of facts, disre...garding all the other testimony in the case, ...without making slighest reference to it, ...as they were directed by the precept to do.

Thirtieth—The applicant besides the reasons ...herein given, hopes to be able during the ...further investigation of this inquiry, to ad...duce other serious and important reasons why ...the majority opinion of the court should not ...be approved.

Thirty-first—The applicant is prepared to ...show that the whole proceedings on the part ...of the majority of the court have been irreg...ular; that his rights have been prejudiced and ...ignored; that his testimony in many more ...particulars than have been herein cited has ...not been considered, and that the evidence is ...absolutely insufficient to sustain the opinion ...which has been rendered by the majority of ...the court, that a grave injustice has been ...committed, which would become irreparable ...and be perpetuated unless this opinion of the ...majority of the court should be disapproved.

Wherefore, the said applicant most respect...fully prays that approval of the opinion of the ...majority of said court of inquiry be withheld, ...and that said opinion be disapproved, and that ...he may be afforded an opportunity to have ...the testimony of record of himself and his ...witnesses properly construed and passed ...upon, and that the proceedings be remitted ...to the court for that purpose, and that he be ...given such other and further relief as he is ...entitled to in the premises.

W. S. SCHLEY.

Read Admiral, U. S. N. (Retired).

ISIDOR RAYNER, JAMES PARKER,

Counsel for the Applicant.

A letter asking permission for counsel to argue against the protest of Admiral Sampson's attorneys was also presented.

NO MULES NO WAR.

Boer Representative Says if Shipments Can Be Stopped Boers Could Dictate Terms.

NEW HAVEN, CONN., Dec. 18.—(Special.)—"If we could induce the United States government to stop the shipment of mules from New Orleans, this war in South Africa would end in four months. Gen. Botha says if the mule shipments are stopped he would in four months' time be able to dictate his terms of peace to Great Briton," said Gen. Samuel Pearson in an address here tonight. He is a Boer representative in this country, commissioned to secure the interest of the United States to the extent of putting an embargo on the shipment of mules.

"I have seen President Roosevelt, but have not yet received an answer. I have already been refused in one American court, but if I can raise sufficient funds I shall start anew in another."

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THE WEATHER.

December 19, 1901.

Time of sunrise today.....7:20 a. m.
Time of sunset today.....4:34 p. m.

Daily report for yesterday, furnished by the United States weather bureau:

Time.	Baro.	Temp.	Hum.	Wind.	Weather.
8 a. m.	30.08	12	60	W.	Snow
8 p. m.	30.22	11	79	N. W.	Cloudy

Comparative temperature and precipitation December 18:

Temperature.	1900	1899	1898	1897	1896
Maximum	48	61	40	30	44
Minimum	34	34	33	21	32
Mean	44	48	38	25	38
Precipitation	.07	..	..	T.	.05

Maximum temperature (1 p. m.).....15
Minimum temperature (8 p. m.).....11
Mean temperature.....13
Normal temperature (for 31 years).....32
Deficiency in the temperature for the day.....20
Deficiency in the temperature since Dec. 1.....14
Deficiency in the temperature since Jan. 1.....265
Normal precipitation (31 years).....05
Precipitation for the day.....00
Deficiency in the precipitation for the day.....05
Excess in the precipitation since Dec. 1.....1.84
Excess in the precipitation since Jan. 1.....3.06

Government Weather Report.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 18.—Forecast for Thursday and Friday:

Western Pennsylvania and West Virginia—Cloudy Thursday, snow by night and on Friday; continuing cold; variable winds.

Ohio—Cloudy Thursday, probably snow in eastern and southern portions Friday fair, except snow in northeast portion; continued cold; fresh southerly winds, shifting to northerly.

Observations taken at weather bureau stations at 8 p. m. yesterday:

Pittsburgh	11 Cloudy	Buffalo	16 Snow
Columbus	6 Cloudy	Cleveland	8 Pt cldy
Indianapolis	8 Clear	Jacksonville	36 Clear
Cincinnati	16 Cloudy	Wichita	22 Clear
Louisville	12 Cloudy	DesMoines	2 Clear
Chicago	4 Clear	Vicksburg	38 Cloudy
Washington	22 Clear	Abilene	34 Cloudy
Parkersburg	12 Clear	Marquette	6 Snow
Nashville	14 Snow	St. Paul	6 Clear
Memphis	24 Cloudy	Helena	34 Clear
St. Louis	12 Snow	Norfolk	28 Cloudy
Cairo	12 Snow	New Orleans	48 Clear
Kansas City	2 Clear	Omaha	2 Clear
New York	32 Clear	Rapid City	24 Snow
Philadelphia	28 Clear	Denver	34 Cloudy

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WILL ARRANGE TERMS OF PEACE

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Mr. Cleveland, and I guess that he will accept, all right."

Gompers Has Faith.

Another member of the conference who was anxious to leave the city was Mr. Gompers, who lives in Washington. Before starting he said:

"This has been a distinct stride in advance toward an understanding upon a plan that seems destined to bring about the best results. There is no question but that the acts of the committee will receive recognition."

The general committee, which was chosen by the conference called to consider plans for healing the differences between the capitalistic and labor interests of the country, retains its connection with the National Civic Federation, and becomes the industrial department of that organization. The statement which was issued expressed a determination to strive for industrial peace, to aid in establishing rightful relations between those who toil and their employers, to confer and advise with employers and employes when in conflict, to encourage agreements under which labor shall be performed and to arbitrate disputes when both sides to the dispute shall ask for such mediation. A determination to avoid discussion of abstract industrial problems was avowed.

Appointees Will Serve.

Among those in attendance at the meeting of the general committee were Oscar Straus, Charles Schwab, S. R. Callaway, Charles A. Moore, Cornelius N. Bliss, Lewis Nixon, J. J. McCook, R. M. Easley, Samuel Gompers, John Mitchell, Frank Sargent and James Duncan. Before the meeting was opened today Chairman Straus made a brief statement for publication.

"I cannot tell you anything about the plan for putting into practice the peaceful projects of this conference," he said. "We are at work on it, and in due time it will be made public. I believe every man named on the committee will serve. All of the labor leaders have accepted and in this epoch-making union of labor and capital no man can deny his services to a project that means such a great good for his country. The approval of the labor leaders means the co-operation of more than 2,000,000 organized workers. As we progress in this work it becomes more apparent that the chief cause of trouble in the past has arisen from misunderstandings. Never were truer words spoken than by John Mitchell yesterday, when he, who has seen more strikes than any man of his age in the country, said that there never was a strike which could not have been avoided if the opposing interests had first met and fairly considered their respective rights.

The Committee's Statement.

The following statement was given out at the conclusion of the executive session:

"This committee shall be known as the industrial department of the national civic federation.

"The scope and province of this department shall be to do what may seem best to promote, develop and make more helpful in establishing rightful relations between employers and workers; by its good offices to endeavor to obviate and prevent strikes and lockouts; to aid in renewing industrial relations where rupture has occurred.

"That at all times representatives of employers and workers, organized or unorganized, should confer for the adjustment of differences of disputes in an acute stage is reached and thus avoid or minimize the number of strikes or lockouts.

"That mutual agreements as to conditions under which labor shall be performed should be encouraged, and that when agreements are made the terms therefor should be faithfully adhered to both in letter and spirit by both parties.

"This department, either as a whole or a sub-committee of it appointed, shall, when requested, act as a forum to adjust and decide upon questions at issue between workers and their employers, provided in the opinion the subject is one of sufficient importance.

Abstract Questions Barred.

"This department will not consider abstract industrial problems.

"This department assumes no power of arbitration unless such powers be conferred by both parties to a dispute.

"This department shall adopt a set of by-laws for its government."

Officers were elected and committees appointed as follows: Chairman, Senator Mark Hanna; vice chairman, Samuel Gompers and Oscar S. Strauss; treasurer, Charles A. Moore; secretary, Ralph M. Easley; committee on by-laws, Oscar S. Strauss, S. R. Callaway, James H. Eckels, John J. McCook, Samuel Gompers and Harry Hite.

The committee on by-laws will report a set of by-laws at the executive committee at a meeting to be held about the last week in January, the date to be fixed by the chairman.

Former President Cleveland was asked today whether he had accepted membership on the labor committee appointed in New York yesterday. Mr. Cleveland said:

"No, I have not yet accepted it. I am not prepared to make a statement at the present time."

WILL NOT STRIKE.

Philadelphia Street Car Employes Vote Down the Proposition by Large Majority.

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 18.—By a vote of 593 to 129 the conductors and motormen of the Union Traction Company, which controls all the street railway lines in the city, early this morning decided not to strike. A mass meeting was held last night and the hall was crowded from the time the voting began until the decision was announced.

The demands, which the company refused and upon which the pro-strike element based its arguments, are 20 cents an hour, 10 hours a day, vestibuled shelters for motormen and conductors, reinstatement of men discharged since July 1 solely for being members of a union and the reference of differences between the men and the company to a board of arbitration.

A strike was favored by the local branch of the Amalgamated association, but it was opposed by the Philadelphia Railway Employes' union, an independent organization.

PIANOS AT SACRIFICE PRICES.

Pianos Delayed Over Two Weeks in Transit Are Now Arriving in Car Lots.

Pianos shipped from factories for holiday trade that should have arrived over two weeks ago, but were delayed by the unparalleled freight congestion existing on roads centering in this city are now being unloaded on us at this time (almost too late for any but late holiday buyers), and in order to handle this big stock we propose cutting prices in hopes of closing out many of them possible before January 1. The delay in cold cars has slightly crazed or checked the finish of some of these pianos, but hardly noticeable; tone and action, however, in perfect condition. These instruments will be cut more than $100 below regular price. In addition to these and other new pianos we have a lot of slightly used pianos that we will sell at such low prices as will astonish buyers. You can get a

$275 Schuman Upright Piano, $85.
$325 Steiner Upright Piano, $135.
$375 Fischer Upright Piano, $190.
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The Nation's Children.

TOLEDO, O., Dec. 18.—Prof. S. T. Tsanoff, the founder of the playground movement in America, and F. Zeublin, president of the Chicago Complete Education League, today started a movement for the organization of a national society to promote the playground movement.

Chicago is to be the headquarters of the organization.

PECULIAR CASE WELL SHROUDED WITH MYSTERY

Man Found Unconscious on His Father's Grave and Carried to Hospital.

THEN TAKEN TO HIS HOME

Police and Family Unite in Misleading Denials and Reticence—The Patient Believed to Be a Victim of Narcotic Poisoning.

[SPECIAL TELEGRAM TO THE GAZETTE.]

NEW YORK, Dec. 18.—Lying unconscious upon the grave of his father in Woodlawn cemetery, a man whom the police say is John Hall Watson, was found this afternoon. He was revived sufficiently to give his name, but at once a veil of mystery was thrown about the whole occurrence by all concerned. Emphatic denials and misleading information were given out at all points.

Shortly after the discovery of the unconscious man, who was removed to Fordham hospital, a carriage said to contain his mother, Mrs. John Hall Watson, and another woman, arrived at the hospital, and in this the man was taken away. At the family home tonight all knowledge of the occurrence was denied. Mrs. Elizabeth Rome Watson said positively there was no one ill in the house, that no one had been brought there and that there had been no John Hall Watson in the family since the death of her father. Later it was said by the housekeeper that there was a son of that name, but she would give no further information. Even his address was refused.

Police and hospital authorities were likewise reticent and misleading when questioned.

At the Fordham hospital it was finally learned that the man was suffering from narcotic poisoning, and that during his stay there great difficulty had been found in keeping him awake. He was turned over to his relatives and they knew nothing more about the case. The positive identification of the man remains a complete mystery. No confirmation was available from any source. Mysterious denials were the response to all queries.

At 5 o'clock this afternoon the man was found lying unconscious against a tombstone. Capt. Flock of the squad went to investigate and found the man half leaning and half lying against the marble, with his face upon his arm. He was chilled with the cold and unable to walk or speak. It was at first thought to be the case of one overcome with grief, to which the cemetery police have become accustomed. Efforts to revive him failed, however, and an ambulance was called from Fordham hospital.

Mr. Watson is a merchant and stock broker downtown. He is a brother of Cyrus Watson and a son of the late John Hall Watson, vice president of the Manhattan Life Insurance Company and prominently connected with the Columbia bank and the Manhattan Savings institution, who died in July, 1900.

SOLDIERS IN GREAT DANGER.

Transport McClellan Nearly Founders on Her Way Home From Philippines.

NEW YORK, Dec. 18.—According to dispatches received here today by the Maritime Exchange the transport McClellan has run on to Bermuda short of coal. A New York mercantile firm engaged in the Bermuda trade, received a dispatch saying:

"McClellan had fearful trip and nearly foundered."

WASHINGTON, Dec. 18.—Quartermaster General Ludington today received official advices that the transport McClellan, on her way from Gibraltar to New York, had been compelled by stormy weather to put into Hamilton, Bermuda, for coal, but would leave at daylight and expected to reach New York Sunday. The McClellan is bringing engineer troops home from the Philippines.

FLOUR MILLS SHUT DOWN.

Shortage of Cars in Northwest Leads to Cessation of Industry at Minneapolis.

MINNEAPOLIS, MINN., Dec. 18.—Four flour mills of the Consolidated Milling Company were shut down this morning. There is every probability that nearly all mills will be closed before the end of the week. The closing of the mills results in part from temporary depression in the demand for flour from abroad.

A. C. Loring, president of the Consolidated Milling Company, said today that a very serious element in the conditions which had compelled a shut-down at this time was the shortage of cars in the northwest.

A story was afloat in milling circles this morning that one of the most prominent companies here proposed to build a private line of cars for handling its own freight business.

CONSOLIDATION RUMORED.

Belief Spreads That Youngstown and Sharon Companies Will Combine Their Interests.

YOUNGSTOWN, O., Dec. 18.—A meeting of the directors of the Youngstown Iron, Sheet and Tube Company will be held tomorrow afternoon and the rumor is current that a consolidation will be effected between the Youngstown company and the Sharon Steel Company.

Both Myron C. and George D. Wick are out of the city and will not return before the meeting tomorrow.

GIRL SERIOUSLY BURNED.

Clothing Caught Fire in Robinson Street House and She Cannot Live.

Dora Banhert, an inmate of 65 Robinson street, Allegheny, was nearly roasted alive early this morning. She is now in the Allegheny General hospital, and will not live throughout the day. She was brought to the hospital at 1:35 in a patrol wagon. Little is known of the incident save that she got too near the grate and her clothing ignited. Before help came her body was burned from head to foot. The physicians at the hospital say she cannot possibly recover. She is 21 years old, and says she has no home.

Mrs. Dennis Dying With Secret.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 18.—Mrs. Ada Gilbert Dennis, the modiste, who was attacked in her apartments, is dying, and the end is expected within 24 hours. She has been aroused several times in an effort to secure a statement as to who her assailants were, but she could give no rational response.

Children Fatally Burned.

CANON CITY, COL., Dec. 18.—Two daughters of Mrs. James B. Ewing, 6 and 4 years of age, were burned to death in a fire that destroyed their house. Another of the children was so badly burned that she will probably die.

Your Liver

Will be roused to its natural duties and your biliousness, headache and constipation be cured if you take

Hood's Pills

Sold by all druggists. 25 cents.

AMERICANS WILL INVADE LONDON

BIG DEPARTMENT STORE PLANNED FOR BRITISH CAPITAL.

New York Merchant Prince Credited With Projecting an Yankee Establishment to Be Conducted on Lines Familiar in Large Cities of This Country.

BY CURTIS BROWN.

[SPECIAL CABLE TO THE GAZETTE.]

LONDON, Dec. 18.—Following close upon the heels of American promoters of railways, steel plants, warehouses and other industrial enterprises, and the invasion of theatrical men from across the ocean, there comes a new influx of American brains and capital to the building line. Hotels and office buildings already have been projected by them.

The latest thing in American enterprise is the projection of a department store on lines exactly like those huge hives of busy industry in New York. While department stores, so-called, are not unknown here, the system of management is entirely different from that which has built up the enormous mercantile blocks across the water.

It is said that the idea is a year old, but at the time a department store was thought of it was impossible to get the land suitable for the enterprise. The original plans were abandoned. An entirely new scheme is now nearly ready for the architects, and plans will be drawn in a few months for a mammoth structure which will startle Londoners and be a nine days' wonder to the British isles.

A wide avenue is being cut from the Strand to Holborn End. On this avenue the new department store will be built. The building will cover a frontage on this new way of 600 feet, and front in Holborn End. Owing to the prejudice against high buildings in London, the new structure will be only five stories high. It is understood that the building will be put up in record time for this country, because the American steel frame construction will be used. The plans will allow of additional stories if the ban now existing against them is removed in the future.

It is said that one of the backers of this enterprise is Henry Siegel of New York. Mr. Eisler is looked upon as the promoter here. He has been connected with the New York concern of Siegel, Cooper & Co. in building its store there. He also promoted the Hoburn Restaurant Company, and says that many other buildings are to be built here by Americans. He asserts that only a beginning has been made in the building line, and that London rentals have attracted American capital. If the ban on high buildings was removed, he says, there would be scores of them put up on the American plan, which is much less costly than the system prevailing here. It takes from one to two years to build a five-story stone building now, while an American structure can be built in less than half that time.

The London county council has given permission to the promoters of the enterprise to submit the plans. It is expected that these will be ready in a few months. The lease for the property has not been signed yet, because the owners of the land object to the 100-year clause. It is probable that a less period will have to be accepted.

This enterprise puts into the shade the American office building to be built in the Strand, the announcement of which plan caused a flutter in business circles. The American promoters are working secretly for fear that leaseholds will jump to prohibitive figures.

NEW YORK, Dec. 18.—No further information about the proposed store could be obtained in New York tonight. Henry Siegel is out of the city. The news from London gains a further interest in the light of a report which emanated from London some weeks ago to the effect that Siegel and Lipton were about to combine in the opening of a mammoth department store in that city. This called forth a qualified denial from Sir Thomas Lipton at the time, but it is possible that the big store may be connected closely with such a fusion of interests.

Charters Issued Yesterday.

HARRISBURG, Dec. 18.—Charters were issued today as follows:

The Wampum Electric Light Company, Wampum, Lawrence county; capital, $2,000.

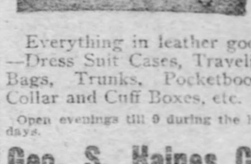
Manufacturers Supplies Company, Philadelphia; capital, $25,000.

The Wahlville Coal Company, Evans City, Butler county; capital $10,000.

Imperial Woolen Company, Philadelphia; capital $10,000.

Dilworth Paper Company, Pittsburgh; capital $150,000.

HOLIDAY GOODS



Everything in leather goods—Dress Suit Cases, Traveling Bags, Trunks, Pocketbooks, Collar and Cuff Boxes, etc.

Open evenings till 9 during the holidays.

Geo. S. Haines Co.

528 WOOD ST., PITTSBURGH.

For Christmas

Why not one of the

STIEFF PIANOS

STIEFF

PIANOS.

The most beautiful toned Pianos made—they last a lifetime. Sold by the maker—Easy terms. Pianos of other makes at prices to suit the most economical.

CHAS. M. STIEFF, 618 Penn Ave.
Pittsburgh Store.
E. S. WALLOVER, Manager.
Factory, Baltimore. Estab. 1842.
1210

TONSILINE CURES SORE THROAT.

WALLACE OPTICAL CO.

Both Phones.

624 PENN AVENUE.

Ask for the Lasso Guard. Never slips. 1117pyrxh

Best Teeth, $8.00
Gold Crowns, Bridge Work, $4.00
Painless Extracting.
ALBANY DENTAL PARLORS,
Fifth Ave. and Wood St.
Open Evenings.

JOSEPH HORNE CO.

Weather—Cloudy. Thursday, Dec. 19, 1901.

Wide-Awake Shoppers Make Special Effort to Come in the Morning.

STORE OPEN EVENINGS

Feel fresher and of course avoid crowds of later in the day.

Never were as well fitted to take care of rushes, no matter how big; but early morning shoppers find Christmas buying much more satisfactory.

Quaintly Constructed Furniture.

Lots of people like nothing better than quaintness in anything—especially furniture.

Only place around Pittsburg where the quaint can be had is in our Fifth Floor Furniture department.

Here are Den Cabinets that will tickle the fancy of any bachelor. An ordinary piece of English Oak, richly plain on the outside. But open it. Such sub-divisions! Plenty of room for cigar boxes and yet quite ornamental.

Then there is the Mission Furniture—assimilation of the very ancient ideas regarding furniture that possessed the monks of Mexico and California years and years ago. Have library sets of this furniture—bookcase, desk, table, settee, rocker, arm and side chairs, and the whole set costs only $172.50. Sell the pieces separately to anyone who doesn't care for the whole set.

Quaint Card Tables of weathered oak, when closed look exactly like a cabinet table; when they are open there's your chairs and everything ready to sit down to a quiet game. $23.

The furniture that Rholfs, of Buffalo, makes. About as quaint as you could wish. $2 for writing sets up to $85 for fancy hall chests.

Hundreds of other quaint pieces and reproductions of the antique, but you have enough in the above to point the way for rare furniture.

Old Armor for Wall Decorations.

Curios from Albania, and Persia, and Khurdistan.

Same as used by the natives in the last war with Russia.

Some pieces are hideous looking—yet just right for odd decorations.

Carbines, blunderbusses, yataghans—picked up by one of our men, who goes to the orient every year.

The collection is interesting to curio collectors.

$12 to $25 each.

Holiday Dress Patterns of Washable Goods.

Calicoes, Chintzes, Percales and Ginghams—10-yard lengths—neatly put up and banded. 75c, $1, $1.25, $1.50 and up to $2 a pattern. In the basement Domestic Store.

Extra Good Bedding.

This cold weather suggests comfortable bed clothes as presents. About as practical as anything—

All wool Blankets, $2.50 to $18 a pair.
Cotton filled Comforts, $1.25 to $5 each.
Wool filled Comforts, $3.50 to $18 each.
Down filled Comforts, $3 to $50 each.
Crocheted Bed Spreads — Marseilles designs—$1, $1.25, $1.50 and $1.75.
Fine Satin finished Spreads, $2.50 to $15.
Bed Spreads for Cribs, 65c to $3.50 each.

Flannel Shirt Waist Patterns.

There are some special values in the basement—for instance, Silk Embroidered Shirt Waist patterns—ample materials—at these prices—reduced prices—

$7 and $7.50 patterns reduced to $5.
$4.50 patterns reduced to $3.
$4 patterns reduced to $2.50.
Fancy printed French Flannels for shirt waists and kimonas, 60c and 70c qualities, for 35c a yard.
New lot of Fancy Flannelettes—light grounds with Persian borders—15c a yard.

Ladies' Initialed Handkerchiefs.

Largest stock we ever had.

25c for hemstitched and hand-embroidered Initialed Handkerchiefs up to $1.50 each.

Think we will have enough to last, but it is best to buy now to get the initial you want.

Wonderful assortment of fine French hand-work Handkerchiefs on sheerest of linen, ranging in price from $5 to $25.

One of these will settle the question for many a man as to what he is to give.

Fine Neckpieces for Women.

For perplexed men—suggestions:
Liberty Silk Squares, $1.50 each.
Printed Crepe Squares, $4.50 to $7.50 each.
Printed Crepe Scarfs, $3.25 to $9 each.
Printed Liberty Scarfs, $4.50 to $9 each.
Liberty Silk Boas, $1 to $20 each.
Ostrich Feather Boas, $12 to $75 each.

Long Trouser Suits for Boys.

If that boy of yours has reached the time when he wants to get into long

THE GAZETTE'S CABLE FEATURES

MARCONI RECEIVES OFFER FROM BELL

The American Inventor Tenders Use of His Own Estate in Cape Breton.

NEXT TEST A MESSAGE

[SPECIAL CABLE TO THE GAZETTE.]
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ST. JOHNS, N. B., Dec. 18.—The London Daily Mail wired to Mr. Marconi today asking if his future tests would be with the letter "S" or with messages. He replied: "With messages."

Among the telegrams received by Mr. Marconi was the following from Prof. Alexander Graham Bell at Washington: "Congratulations and best wishes. If you can make use of my estate in Cape Breton, near Baddeck, as a temporary station, you are welcome to it, and my manager, Mr. McInnis, will be glad to take care of you and your party and do everything possible to facilitate your experiments."

Mr. Marconi feels very grateful for Prof. Bell's kind offer and is making inquiries regarding the suitability of Baddeck for experimental purposes.

Mr. Marconi still holds his intention to leave for Canada Sunday. His assistants are packing up the wireless apparatus.

Supt. Mackey of the Anglo-American Telegraph Company said today: "I understand Mr. Marconi pleads ignorance of the extent of our chartered rights; yet three months ago a recognized agent of the Marconi company came here from New York and advised us that negotiations were proceeding in England between the two companies regarding permission to make the proposed experiments here with passing ships. He inquired into the conditions of the charter and obtained a copy of it. He afterward received from the government a grant of land at Cape Race on which it was intended to erect a Marconi station."

Regarding the public statement of the solicitors of the Anglo-American Telegraph Company, Mr. Marconi explains that the letter from the Anglo-American company to him, which is referred to therein, was only his second letter to him and was written after the substance of its first letter to him had been given to the world from here. He said further that this first letter was such that the outside world was under no misapprehension as to its purport. It was served on him last Monday. It stated unequivocally that unless the Anglo-American company received an intimation from him (Marconi) that same day that he would abandon his work and remove his apparatus forthwith, the Anglo-American company would institute legal proceedings to restrain him from further work and would hold him responsible for any damages the Anglo-American company might sustain.

Upon receipt of this letter Mr. Marconi wrote the Anglo-American Company saying he did not wish to interfere with its rights, remarking at the same time he was about to remove his apparatus. Mr. Marconi meant, although he did not so specify, that he was going to Cape Spear to erect a pole there. The Anglo-American Company then rejoined with its second letter, which is the one quoted in the statement in question. This letter was served on Marconi after the press of Great Britain and the United States had commented upon the attitude of the Anglo-American Company as disclosed by its first letter.

In its second letter this company offered to consider proposals from Marconi for a compromise. This led to the opening of the negotiations which are now in progress in London between the Anglo-American and the Marconi companies.

Marconi thinks it strange that the Anglo-American Company, in giving to the world what is intended for a fair statement of its position, fails to refer to or explain its first letter, which he says virtually amounted to an attempt to compel him to abandon all scientific research in Newfoundland.

NEW YORK, Dec. 18.—At his laboratory at East Orange, N. J., Thomas A. Edison authorized the following statement: "Since Marconi has stated over his own signature that he has received the signals from England I believe he will carry it to a commercial success. It is a great achievement and he is a great experimenter."

PRO-BOER MEETING PRECIPITATES RIOT

A Remarkable Chamberlain Demonstration at Birmingham Town Hall.

[ASSOCIATED PRESS CABLE TO THE GAZETTE.]

LONDON, Dec. 18.—David Lloyd-George, M. P., in speaking in Birmingham town hall tonight, precipitated a scene unprecedented in that city since the Aston park riots. The majority of the audience were hostile to the speaker and were enraged by his pro-Boer and anti-Chamberlain utterances. They rushed the police cordon guarding the platform.

The feeling against Mr. Lloyd-George has been so strong during the past week that even tickets were forged to enable the "jingoes" to gain admission to the town hall. While the organist was playing the dissentients began to sing "Britons Never Will Be Slaves," and kept it up until the organist was compelled to desist. Then cheers were raised for "Joey." A white flag was unfurled amid deafening cheers of "traitor," as Mr. Lloyd-George and his friends appeared on the platform. All attempts at speechmaking were futile, owing to the continuous din of hissing, hooting and singing.

In the meantime the enormous crowd outside the building had become more noisy and menacing. Presently a stone came through a window. This caused a stampede among the occupants of the gallery. From this time forward pandemonium reigned in the building and only rushes were made for the platform. The police were soon overpowered. Mr. Lloyd-George and his friends were compelled to retreat to an inner room for safety. They were unable to leave the building for fear of mob violence and were thus kept prisoners until a late hour, when Mr. Lloyd-George, disguised as a chief constable, left the town hall with a posse of policemen. Many constables were seriously injured in their attempts to clear the streets, which they did not succeed in doing until a heavy downfall of rain and sleet came to their assistance.

It is rumored that one civilian has died of injuries received. Several arrests for resisting the police have been made. At a meeting held outside the town hall resolutions of confidence in the government were adopted. This meeting sent the following telegram to Mr. Chamberlain:

"Lloyd-George, the traitor, was not allowed to say a word. The citizens have passed a resolution expressing confidence in the government and their admiration of your unique and fearless services for king and country."

Estimates of the numbers of the demonstration vary from 10,000 to 50,000 persons.

FOUND WHITE FLAGS.

The Colombian Cruiser General Pinzon Returns From the Nombre de Dios Battlefield.

COLON, COLOMBIA, Dec. 18.—The Colombian gunboat General Pinzon returned here this morning from a cruise along the coast. After disembarking the troops she carried at Cocle, she proceeded in the opposite direction toward Porto Bello, Playa Dama and Nombre de Dios, where the recent battle was fought. The wounded have now been landed at Colon. No government troops remain at Nombre de Dios. Wherever the Pinzon touched along the coast she found large numbers of white flags flying.

Gen. ...an is getting ready to attack the insurgents at Tumaco, on the Pacific coast of Colombia. He has made extensive preparations to this end. Gen. Alban confirmed the reports of the purchase by Colombia of the Chilean cruiser Presidente Pinto.

Brazil Prepared for Tariff Wars.

RIO JANEIRO, Dec. 18.—(Special Cable.)—The senate has authorized the senate to increase the duty up to 60 per cent on the products of countries which do not include Brazil in the most favored nation clause.

Negotiations Between South American Republics Are Still in Progress.

WAR IS NOW IMPROBABLE

[ASSOCIATED PRESS CABLE TO THE GAZETTE.]

BUENOS AYRES, Dec. 18.—It is rumored here that Chile will not agree to the proposed modification of her recent note to Argentina, as outlined in the recent communication from the Argentine government. The Nacion believes that if this is true the situation will become more serious.

A Uruguayan volunteer legion is to be organized here. It will consist of two regiments of cavalry and three regiments of infantry.

Dr. Amancio Alcorta, the Argentine minister of foreign affairs, has had a telegraphic communication from Senor Portela, minister of Argentina to Chile, who is now at Santiago de Chile. Dr. Alcorta called upon the president of Argentina, Gen. Julio A. Roca, three times today.

It is asserted here that Chile will not reject the modifications to the original Chilean note suggested by Argentina, but that she will make certain objections thereto which will render necessary further conferences and discussions. It is conceded, however, that even these objections from Chile set forth that country's sincere desire to effect a peaceful settlement of the trouble.

Senor Concha Subercaseau, the Chilean minister to Argentina, and Senor Alcorta held a long conference here today.

The Tribuna denies the assertion that the negotiations will be concluded here and says that Senor Portela has sufficiently ample powers to effect a conclusion at Santiago de Chile.

The Diario publishes a telegram from Valparaiso to the effect that Chile has succeeded in concluding negotiations for the purchase of the Russian battleship Retvizan, built by the Cramp Shipbuilding Company of Philadelphia, and that, further, Chile has obtained a formal promise from the builders of the cruiser and of the three torpedo boat destroyers which were bought the early part of this month, to deliver the vessels in question some time next January.

PRIVATE WINS MEDAL.

Soldier in the Philippine Displays Remarkable Courage After Receiving Three Wounds.

MANILA, Dec. 18.—Gen. Smith has recommended Private Heintz of the medical department of the army for a medal of honor as a reward for heroism at the battle of Ganda river, Island of Samar. Heintz fought as long as able, while shot through both arms and with a bad bolo slash in the back. After recovering from a fainting spell, with both arms in slings, Heintz directed the work of carrying the wounded till they arrived at Calbayog. Surgeon Calhoun recommended Heintz for a certificate of merit, which was approved, but Gen. Smith thinks the man's heroism is worthy of a medal.

Sixto Lopez, Aguinaldo's former secretary, has again requested permission to land here under military protection without taking the oath of allegiance to the United States, which he says would nullify his influence with the Filipinos. Lopez offers to act as a peace commissioner. Gen. Chaffee has emphatically refused Lopez's request.

Gov. Taft was present today at a farewell reception in his honor previous to his departure for the United States Friday on board the transport Grant. There was a large attendance of civil and military officials and Filipinos.

There were six skirmishes in various parts of Batangas province yesterday. The insurgents did not make a single stand. Several Filipinos were killed. The Americans had only a few men wounded. Additional troops have been sent to Gen. Bell, who is carrying on an aggressive campaign in Batangas, Tayabas and Laguna provinces.

Dynamite in a New Role—Left to Die

USED DYNAMITE AS A PROTEST

Mild Form of Objection to the Existing Conditions in a Rural School.

MORE TROUBLE FEARED

[SPECIAL TELEGRAM TO THE GAZETTE.]

BEAVER FALLS, PA., Dec. 18.—Some nights ago some one placed a big charge of dynamite under the coalshed at the public schoolhouse in Dougherty township, this county, and blew it all to pieces, broke all the windows in the school building and otherwise damaged it.

Today a committee of citizens from that township were here to secure detectives and in ferreting out the particulars, if possible. They told the police that ever since last spring much bitterness has existed over the result of the election for school director, and this bitterness was further intensified when it came to electing a teacher last fall by the choice of a young woman that some were opposed to.

One of the directors, it is alleged, said if the teacher punished any of his children he would punish her. A few days ago she made one of this man's children stand on the floor an hour for breaking some of the rules, and when the boy went home he told his father.

The old man, it is said, hurried to the schoolhouse, bolted in and attacked the teacher by slapping her face until she cried out with pain and almost fainted. Her friends threaten suit, and more trouble is feared. It is believed the slapping of the teacher led to the blowing up of the coalshed and that the next thing will be the blowing up of the schoolhouse itself.

Union Party Name Pre-Empted.

HARRISBURG, PA., Dec. 18.—Frank M. Eiter, state chairman of the Union party, and others of Philadelphia, representing themselves to be members of the Union party, today filed papers in the prothonotary's office in this city claiming the right to use the name of "Union party" as a political appellation in Pennsylvania.

MANY ADVANTAGES.

Money Borrowed on Mortgage Places You Under No Embarrassing Obligations.

A loan on your residence property has many advantages over a note. It doesn't have to be renewed every three or six months—and calls for no interest in advance. A partial payment reduces the interest immediately, and you are under no obligations for indorsement. The Peoples Savings Bank, 251 Fourth avenue, loans money in large or small amounts on residence property. No commission to pay, and money ready for you any time. If interested call for particulars. 22d-TTSX

STEEL PLANT AT NEW CASTLE ENLARGED

Shenango Valley Mills Will Soon Close Down for Large Improvements.

[SPECIAL TELEGRAM TO THE GAZETTE.]

NEW CASTLE, PA., Dec. 18.—Improvements which will enlarge the works and increase its output by more than one-third are to be begun shortly after the first of the new year at the Shenango Valley steel plant in this city.

New converters of much larger size than those now in use will be placed in the plant and the capacity will then be more than 1,000 tons of Bessemer steel daily. The plant will be closed down early in the new year for the purpose of permitting the big improvements, and the works will then be among the largest in the country outside those of Pittsburgh and Chicago.

STRANGE CASE OF SUICIDE.

Young Woman Laughed and Talked With Her Husband and Then Drank Carbolic Acid.

YOUNGSTOWN, O., Dec. 18.—(Special.)—Mrs. B. S. McCurley, aged 22 years, committed suicide tonight by drinking carbolic acid.

Mrs. McCurley, her husband and their 2-year-old child were sitting at the supper table laughing and talking, when she suddenly arose from the table, took a bottle of acid from the cupboard and drank it, dying five minutes afterward. So far as known the domestic relations were happy.

Struck by a Runaway Car.

NEW CASTLE, PA., Dec. 18.—James Rigby of Garfield avenue was struck early this morning by a runaway street car on the Highland avenue hill. The brake could not check the car on the slippery rails of the steep descent and the car crashed into Rigby's vehicle before he could turn from the tracks. The rig was broken to kindling wood and the driver was thrown out on the roadway and badly hurt. Rigby fortunately escaped serious harm.

STATE AND NEIGHBORHOOD.

STEUBENVILLE, O.—The new Presbyterian church at Smithfield, recently completed at a cost of $10,000, was destroyed by fire this morning.

PARKERSBURG, W. VA.—The steel plant built by Pittsburgh capitalists was started this afternoon. The plant will employ about 500 men.

YOUNGSTOWN, O.—Miss Clementine Hamilton, a clerk in the office of a justice of the peace here, prevented the robbery of her employer's safe this morning. A rough-looking man walked into the office and demanded that the safe be opened. This privilege was denied him by Miss Hamilton, who took a pot shot at the man and lunched as he made a dive for the stairway.

MORGANTOWN, W. VA.—Two men attempted to rob the home of Mrs. Dougherty at Lock No. 12, eight miles up the Monongahela river, last night. The woman surprised the robbers by shooting one of them in the thigh. He was brought over here last night and his wound was dressed, but his partner succeeded in getting him away before the authorities were notified of the attempted robbery.

PLACED ON THE RAILS TO DIE

Thugs Rob Their Victim and Then Throw Him on the Track.

CRAWLED AWAY IN TIME

[SPECIAL TELEGRAM TO THE GAZETTE.]

GREENSBURG, PA., Dec. 18.—Boyd Sample, a well-known young man of the vicinity of Smithton was beaten into insensibility, robbed of all his money and his body then cast upon the railroad track early this morning, that a train passing over him might destroy the evidences of the murder that two unknown thugs believed would result from the beating.

Sample left Connellsville, where he had been working, early this morning. He got off at the Eureka mines in this county. He started to walk along the tracks and was hailed by a man, who demanded that he stop. He refused and two men came up, struck him down and beat him into unconsciousness.

They robbed him of $13. The limp body was then placed on the tracks and the footpads ran away. Sample regained consciousness probably an hour later, and finding his perilous position, crawled from the tracks with a great effort. He was found later nearly frozen. He is in a critical condition and not expected to live.

Fire at Meadville.

MEADVILLE, PA., Dec. 18.—(Special.)—Fire tonight in a house owned by Henry Kiernan and occupied by the families of John H. Patterson and E. W. Bean, caused $1,000 damage, partially insured.

Killed in a Coal Mine.

SALEM, O., Dec. 18.—Robert McMillan, aged 45 years, of Washingtonville, was killed instantly in the Cherry Valley coal mines today by a ledge of coal falling on him.

HOSTETTER'S STOMACH BITTERS

This wonderful medicine has never been equaled as a stomach strengthener and health builder. It is the only one to take when your system is weak and run down and you suffer from dyspepsia, indigestion, constipation, flatulency, sour stomach or headache. Try it. It will surely do you good. Be sure to get the genuine with our Private Die Stamp over the neck of the bottle, also obtain a copy of Hostetter's Almanac for 1902 from your druggist, free.

B. B. & B.

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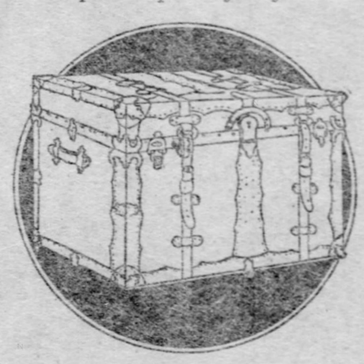

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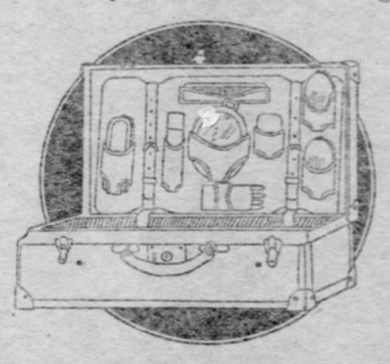

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INVESTIGATION OF MURPHY CASE NOW CONCLUDED

All Details of the Tragedy Are Now Matters of Official Record.

STATEMENT MAY BE GIVEN

As Yet No Comment Has Been Made by the Authorities—Residents of the East End Alarmed by the Murder Theory First Propounded.

The police investigation of the tragedy that ended the life of Miss Harriett C. Murphy early Tuesday morning is at an end. There were no official visits paid to the Howe street residence yesterday. All that will ever be learned of the death of the prominent young woman is now a matter of official record. This afternoon the funeral will be held, and with this coronial inquest the case will be closed.

When the inquest will be held is not known. Coroner Jesse M. McGeary deems it best to preserve absolute silence on the matter. It is said, however, that the inquest will be held before the end of the week.

No official comment is to be had on the tragedy. The police content themselves with the statement that they found nothing to indicate that a burglar had either entered or attempted to enter the house. Beyond this everything is conjecture.

Popular interest in the tragedy is by no means at an end, however. Feeling still runs high in the East End. More than this, there is widespread fear throughout the residence section.

The well-circulated reports that Miss Murphy was the victim of a murderer have created a feeling of unrest that is spreading rapidly.

Watchmen in Demand.

Private watchmen are in demand and the heads of the Second police district are besieged for protection. Locks on doors and windows are being reinforced and the greatest of care is being taken by householders to see that all is well before they retire for the night.

This popular fear is most evident among women and children. Parents have been compelled to sit beside their children for hours before they could lull them into slumber.

Another demand for more adequate police protection will probably be a result of the present condition of affairs. Police officials admit that they are seriously handicapped in their work in the East End. Patrolmen complain that their beats are too long.

There is no present remedy for this, however. Until the force can be increased in the district it is likely that a request for plain clothes men will be made. Many believe that their presence would increase their safety.

The scene at the Murphy home yesterday was sad. All day long friends of the dead woman called to tender their condolence to the brother. Children were frequent callers, also.

Miss Murphy was peculiarly fond of children and delighted to work among them. Many of these that visited the house yesterday showed plainly the sense of personal loss they felt in their friend's death.

Funeral Will Be Private.

The funeral will be held at 2 o'clock this afternoon. The Rev. Dr. Lemuel Call Barnes of the Fourth Avenue Baptist church, will conduct the services. Miss Murphy was a member of the Fourth Avenue church for many years. She was always active in its many charitable works. The interment will be made in the family plot later in the afternoon. Both services and interment will be private.

Notwithstanding the conclusion of the investigation by the police, a number of new theories as to the manner of Miss Murphy's death were put into circulation yesterday. One that was widely held, accounted for the tragedy by the presence of a man in her room when she retired.

Another was based on the possibility that she accidentally shot herself while dreaming that she was in danger from robbers.

This latter theory was quite popular, especially in view of the fact that Miss Murphy had been in ill health for some weeks and that she was run down nervously as a result.

It was intimated yesterday that a statement will be made before the end of the week covering the details of the tragedy. This, it is said, will also include the results of the official investigations that were begun immediately after the sad affair.

It has now been positively established that the tracks found about the house and on the balcony opening off Miss Murphy's room were made by the investigating officers themselves.

They were at the house even before the physician summoned by Mr. Murphy arrived. They set to work at once and it is said by eye witnesses that within 15 minutes, if tracks had been there in the first place they would have been indistinguishable.

The blood tracks that were found were also made, it is declared, by the officers.

NAMES KEPT SECRET.

Ten Million Dollar Rubber Combine Incorporated in New Jersey.

NEW YORK, Dec. 18.—A certificate of incorporation of the Atlantic Rubber Shoe Company, capital $10,000,000, of which $2,500,000 is 6 per cent cumulative preferred stock and $7,500,000 common stock, was filed in the office of the county clerk in Newark, N. J., today. The incorporators are Henry M. Rogers of Boston, Francis C. Lowthrop of Trenton, and James S. Dill of this city. All are lawyers. Mr. Rogers, when seen today, said:

"The certificate of incorporation, instead of being signed by the parties in interest, is signed by the legal representatives of the different interests involved. This is to maintain the existing quasi-trusteeship of the properties to be conveyed which at the present time are vested in trustees for the various owners. It was also done to avoid a disclosure at the present time of the names of all the parties in interest, all of which matters will in due time come before the public. At the present there is nothing more to be said with respect to the organization."

The principal objects of the company as stated in the charter are "to manufacture, prepare for market, transport and market rubber products, and to form, promote and financially assist subordinate syndicates and corporations."

President Valentine Ill.

OAKLAND, CAL., Dec. 18.—John J. Valentine, president of Wells, Fargo & Co., is very low this afternoon and may pass away at any time. All of the members of his family are at the home.

A PRACTICAL HOLIDAY PRESENT.

Purduis Should Discourage the Spending Habit So Prevalent at Christmas Time.

Parents cannot help their children too much, and the best way to insure their success in life is by encouraging the saving habit. The dollar spent is gone forever—find the bit that is earned, but what is saved that counts. You can impress these facts on their young minds in a very practical way, especially during the holiday season, by opening a savings account for them with the Pittsburg Bank for Savings, Smithfield street, opposite post office. Start your cent interest is paid, and as you can open an account with a dollar there is no parent so poor who cannot give his child the necessary start in life, even if he should fail to provide for his own future, which he ought not to do. You can bank by mail. Call or write for booklet No. 25.

INVESTIGATING PER DIEM SYSTEM

AMERICAN RAILWAY ASSOCIATION IS TAKING UP QUESTION.

If It Is Considered Effective in Preventing Congestion and Just to Switching Lines It May Be Adopted Generally. Smaller Lines Will Object.

Local railroad officials have received from the secretary of the American Railway association a list of seven questions affecting the problem of charges for cars on foreign lines. At the last meeting of the association at St. Louis in October the committee on car service was instructed to take up the matter of per diem versus mileage charges, and at the meeting in New York, in April, an exhaustive report will be made on the subject. This report, if adopted by the association, will be recommended to the railroads belonging thereto. It is customary for such recommendations to be put into effect at once. Practically every railroad of importance has representation in the association, and the results of its deliberations possess much weight.

Query is made in the seven questions for the difficulties, liable to be met in the practical operation of the per diem system of charges; for suggestions to obviate these difficulties; for reasons why straight per diem charge would accelerate car movement; for the mileage statistics of the railroads showing what numbers and proportions of the cars owned are at home and abroad, and the months in which the greatest contrasts are shown, and lastly for the opinion of the members upon the advisability of adopting the new system.

There is every reason to believe that the larger systems will make a determined effort to have the per diem charges put into effect. The recent freight congestion in this city has given several impressive lessons in its favor. Cars tied up on railroads, which did not, or would not return them, despite the urgent need here, showed the necessity of some more effective method of fines than the mileage system now in use. On the other hand, the small roads, especially the switching roads, will oppose the movement as upon them will fall a large expense for the time used in delivering the cars to the lines.

Change in Classification Made.

The classification committee of the Trunk Lines association, to which the Pittsburgh eastbound railroads belong, has adopted a number of changes, effective January 1. The result of these changes will in many cases make a rise in the rates. One is especially important. A new rule, No. 27, is adopted governing articles on cars in lots. It is as follows: "When articles subject to the provisions of this rule are loaded in or on cars 36 feet or less in length they shall be charged at the minimum carload weights prescribed therefor in the classification (actual weight to be charged for when in excess of the minimum weights). If such articles are loaded in or on cars exceeding 36 feet in length, the minimum carload weights to be charged shall be in accordance with a given table of actual weight to be charged when in excess of minimum weights." Many articles of common use have been made subject to this rule. Agricultural implements, fruit, butter, berry crates, vehicles, traction engines and furniture are in the list. It means that if a car larger than needed is supplied the shipper, he will have to pay the difference.

Improvement in Freight Situation.

Transportation and traffic officials of the Pittsburgh lines say there has been, during the past week a perceptible improvement in the local freight situation. The congestion that for several weeks gave the city freight yards much trouble, has been to a large extent removed. The car supply has reached a point, it is said, at which all the cars that can be handled by the engines of the roads are being moved. The main problem yet to be solved is securing more motive power. It is impossible to place orders for locomotives for delivery before late next fall, all the locomotive works being stocked with orders running far into next year. Until more motive power is secured and terminal facilities enlarged freight conditions in this city will not be as easy as before the present congestion.

Will Address Railway Club.

At the meeting of the Railway club of Pittsburgh, at the Hotel Lincoln at 2 p. m. Friday, December 27, a paper on "Indicator Tests," will be presented by Roy V. Wright, mechanical engineer of the Pittsburgh & Lake Erie. Master Mechanic D. J. Redding, who was to have read a paper on "The Effects of Local Water on Locomotives," will not be able to do so, owing to the rush of work in his department.

RAILROAD NOTES.

Rates for the G. A. R. encampment at Washington next year, have been fixed at a cent a mile.

Half rates for employes of all lines when traveling on foreign lines are discussed as one of the possibilities of the exchange-pass abolition.

General Passenger Agent C. W. Bassett of the Pittsburgh & Western returned yesterday from his visit to California.

BREEDERS SHY AT POLITICS.

Pennsylvania Association Wants a State Fair, but Is Afraid Capital Will Be Made of It.

The Pennsylvania Live Stock Breeders' association began its third annual meeting in the Monongahela house yesterday morning. From the beginning made yesterday the interest promises to last until the close, today. More than one-half of the members expected to come attended the opening meeting, and by nightfall there was increased attendance, the others having come in on belated trains.

President W. C. Norton of Alvenville opened the meeting at 11 a. m. Secretary E. S. Bayard offered his report, which was approved. Treasurer J. F. Lantz's report showed that the association was clear of debt and had a balance on hand.

A discussion as to the need of a representative state fair was soon in swing. Mr. Lantz began it by saying that it was a shame that the state did not have an annual fair. Prof. J. Fremont Hickman told the association that in Ohio the live stock men and farmers had "got next" to the politicians and had secured appropriations to hold a state fair.

President Norton remarked that if the association wanted a law passed providing for a state fair it would have to go carefully to work. It was almost natural, he said, that if a governor of a state had the appointment of the officers of a state fair the appointments would be made for political effect. It was understood that Mr. Norton did not refer to Gov. Stone, but to any governor of any state.

In the discussion that ensued it was suggested that the state fair be in charge of a commission, some of the members to be named by the governor of the state the others to be nominated by the various agricultural interests of the state, the live stock breeders' association, the state grange, the dairymen's association and farmers' state organizations.

During the afternoon session the following papers were read: "The Mutton Sheep," by S. H. Todd, Wakeman, O.; "Growing the Modern Beef Animal for Market," by O. E. Bradfute, Xenia, O.; "Forage Crops and Fertility," by R. S. Seeds, Birmingham, Pa.

The last day's session will begin today at 9:30 a. m.

ESCAPED IN A HURRY.

Guests at the Rinehart Hotel in the Goose Creek Oil Fields Forced to Flee From the Flames.

PARKERSBURG, W. VA., Dec. 18.—The Hotel Rinehart, in the Goose Creek oil fields in Ritchie county, was burned to the ground last night. Thirty guests had narrow escapes and most of them lost everything except the night clothes they had on.

Robert Stafford was awakened by the heat and his clothing was already on fire. He escaped, but was severely burned. D. K. Beeson jumped from a second story window and was seriously injured. The loss is about $5,000, with small insurance.

TO CONSULT ON PROPOSED NEW INSTITUTE

Such Is Believed to Be the Object of the Visit of Dr. Gunsaulus to City.

NO ONE INCLINED TO TALK

General Belief, However, Is That President of Armour Institute Will Give Result of His Experiences to Plan and Scope Committee.

Dr. Frank W. Gunsaulus, president of the Armor Institute, of Chicago, is in Pittsburgh. He reached this city on Tuesday night and registered at the Hotel Duquesne. It is believed that his visit here is to meet the plan and scope committee of the Carnegie Technical school and talk over plans for that institution.

Dr. Gunsaulus spent yesterday morning in the city and in the afternoon went to Carnegie institute to see Director John W. Beatty of the art gallery. Director Beatty was in the city, but did not see Dr. Gunsaulus. Dr. Gunsaulus arranged to visit the gallery again today, when Director Beatty will meet him.

Mr. Beatty said last night that he regretted missing Dr. Gunsaulus yesterday, and would be sure to see him today. "I do not know what the object of his visit to Pittsburgh is," said Mr. Beatty last night. "I expect to see him today, however, and then I may know more."

An effort was made last night to find out definitely whether Dr. Gunsaulus is to meet the plan and scope committee, but it was unsuccessful. However, in view of the fact that members of that committee have been visiting various educational institutions and talking to eminent educators, it is generally believed that Dr. Gunsaulus came to Pittsburgh to look over sites which have been mentioned and to talk over the proposed school after a more thorough and more intimate investigation of conditions here than he could gain without visiting the city.

The Armour institute is a school modeled along lines somewhat similar to those talked of for the Carnegie Technical school. Dr. Gunsaulus has been president of the Armour institute since its inception, and has high standing in the educational world. His knowledge, since he has been connected in an executive capacity with a newly founded school, should be more valuable to the plan and scope committee than the advice of the ordinary college president.

Dr. Gunsaulus left the Hotel Duquesne yesterday afternoon, and all effort to locate him last night failed. That he had not left the city was proved by his engagement for today with Mr. Beatty at the art gallery, but where he went yesterday afternoon no person seemed to know. It could not be learned whether a meeting of the plan and scope committee has been called.

NORDICA AT HER BEST.

Her Concert Was a Great Treat to Music Lovers—"The Rosary" as It Was Meant.

The Nordica song recital last night at Carnegie hall brought together most of the real music lovers of the city, and these were afforded an unquestionable treat in the work of the operatic favorite. In ballad, in little gems of German sentiment, and in dramatic aria from the new Hungarian opera, "Laslos," the lovely songstress was in her best form, and it was easy to understand the enthusiastic throngs which have greeted her in every city so far taken in on her tour. Macdowell's dainty melody, "The Robin Sings," opened the program. The second group was made up of three little French songs, and the third had two Grieg bits and three German songs.

Each of these was given with the artistic finish which characterizes all of Nordica's work, whether in opera or concert. The fourth group of songs, however, held chief interest for the audience, including two of Ethelbert Nevin's favorite compositions. "The Rosary," probably the best known in all his songs, was given with so exquisite a pathos that the enthusiasm of her listeners found vent rather in tears than in applause. So intense was the appreciation that a second rendition was necessary. This beautiful song has perhaps never been sung in Pittsburgh with so perfect an interpretation of its meaning.

Richard Strauss' "Serenade," properly reckoned among the jewels of the century's song, closed this group, and given, as it was, with perfect art, aroused unusual demonstration, many of the listeners rising to applaud the more strenuously. In encore the diva sang Nevin's only coon song, known now all over the country as "Nordica's coon song," "Mighty lak a Rose," lovely in melody and touching in sentiment. In conclusion she sang the Hungarian aria, Weird in character, and showing to excellent advantage the splendid dramatic qualities of the singer.

During the concert Madame Nordica was presented with two handsome and significant bouquets, one of American Beauty roses, and one of white narcissus, tied with green ribbon.

RESCUED BY FIREMEN.

Occupants of Cleveland Boarding House Saved From Death by Burning.

CLEVELAND, O., Dec. 18.—Firemen early today rescued seven persons from a burning boarding house at 104 Brownell street. The fire, which started from an overheated flue, had burned away the stairway when discovered, cutting off escape from those sleeping in the upper story.

Several firemen volunteered to enter the burning house and succeeded, after great difficulty, in carrying out the half unconscious inmates. All will recover.

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HAVE NO ROOM FOR BARTENDERS

Y. M. C. A. SECRETARIES SAY THEY CANNOT BECOME MEMBERS.

The Reason Assigned Is That They Are Not of Good Moral Character, and That They Would Be a Stumbling Block for Youthful Members.

Officers of the Central Young Men's Christian association of Pittsburgh have been watching with interest the accounts of the stir that was caused in Cleveland recently by the refusal of the association of that city to admit a bartender to membership.

The facts came out at a recent meeting of the bartenders of Cleveland during a discussion of the social position of members of that craft. One member of the organization said that bartenders do not have equal social rights with persons of other business. He said that he had applied for admission to the Young Men's Christian association of Cleveland, and that it had been denied because of his business.

G. K. Shurtleff, secretary of the Cleveland Young Men's Christian association, is quoted as saying: "I do not mind saying that the fact that a man is a bartender is, in our judgment, sufficient to disqualify him from membership in the association. When I say this I have no apologies to offer, and at the same time I do not care to be drawn into a controversy as to the justice or injustice of the matter."

J. B. Griggs, secretary of the local association, was asked yesterday whether he had ever received an application for membership from a bartender, and if not what he would do in that event.

After reading the statement of Secretary Shurtleff of Cleveland, Mr. Griggs said: "I quite agree with Secretary Shurtleff, with whom I am well acquainted. He is certainly right. The essential requirement for membership in the Young Men's Christian association, either associate or active, is that the applicant be of good moral character. That would be enough to debar the barkeeper, for barkeepers cannot be considered of good moral character. We have never had one of them apply for admission, and do not expect to have any, for they know better than to apply. We would not admit them."

This statement is even stronger than the reported statement of Secretary Shurtleff of Cleveland, for he is quoted as saying: "I will not say yes or no to the question of whether a bartender can be a man of good moral character, but there are other things to be considered in passing upon the application of a bartender for membership in our association. In our membership we have hundreds of boys whom we wish to surround with the best influences. If we had bartenders among our members there would be the danger that many of the boys, forming the acquaintance of the bartenders, would be attracted to the places where these bartenders are employed. I have never known of a case where a young man became a bartender after becoming a member of the association, but if there should be such a case, we would not hesitate to request that member to resign. We have rejected two or three applications from bartenders for membership in our association. We have had cases where bartenders or saloonkeepers have given up their business and afterward have become members."

TALKED OF NEWMAN.

Henry A. Adams Told of Influence of Great Cardinal.

Henry Austin Adams, formerly rector of an Episcopal church in New York, but for 10 years a convert to the Catholic faith, lectured last night at the Cathedral on the "Life and Times of Cardinal Newmah," under the auspices of the Catholic Truth society.

Mr. Adams reviewed the life of Cardinal Newman, from his childhood until his death in his quiet retreat at Edgebaston oratory. The lecturer dwelt on the influence which, he said, Newman had exerted on the thought of the century, an influence that lives after him. Newman's influence had greatly lessened the prejudices that formerly existed against Catholics.

Ignored by the Company.

BUTLER, PA., Dec. 18.—(Special.)—As a result of a failure after two weeks of almost daily conferences of the street car company and its striking employes to arrive at an understanding, a public meeting which crowded the building to the doors was held in the court house tonight. The company ignored the invitation.

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And then Our Men's Hats—We've a famous lot of New Stiffs for the Holidays—and the nobbiest showing of stylish Soft Hats to be found—including Stetson's, Roelof's and many other leading makes.

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Fancy Hosiery, 25c to 50c.
Gloves, 25c to $2.00.
A House Coat, $2.75 to $12.50.
A Bath Robe, $3.75 to $12.00.
A Suit of Clothes, $7.50 to $18.00.
An Overcoat, $7.50 to $20.00.
A Purse or Pocketbook, 25c to $2.
Collar and Cuff Boxes, 50c to $5.00.
Necktie Boxes, 50c to $3.00.
Shoe and Laundry Bags, 25c to $1.
Smoking Tables, $1.50 to $5.00.
Smoking Sets, 25c to $2.00.
Imported Steins, $1.50 to $3.25.
Tobacco Boxes, 25c to $3.00.
Sterling Silver Cigar Cutters, 50c to 69c.
Sterling Silver Stamp Boxes, 25c to 50c.
Sterling Silver Match Boxes, $1.00 to $2.00.

Sterling Silver Military Brushes, $3.50 and $5.00.
Sterling Silver Knives, 25c to $1.50.
Sterling Silver Key Rings, 25c to 50c.
Sterling Silver Shaving Brushes, $1 to $2.

Sterling Silver Whisk Brooms, 75c to $1.50.
Sterling Silver Clothes Brushes, $1.50 to $3.50.
Sterling Silver Hat Brushes, 75c to $2.00.
Sterling Silver Hair Brushes, $1.00 to $3.75.
Sterling Silver Mounted Pocket Combs, 25c to $1.00.
Silver Plated Shaving Mugs, $2.50 to $2.98.
Silver Plated Ash Receivers, 39c.
Umbrellas, $1.00 to $6.98.
Books, 15c and up.
Stick Pins, 25c to $1.50.
Watch Fobs, 50c to $3.50.
Cuff Links, 50c to $3.50.
A Rocker, $1.25 to $45.

A Couch, $4.00 to $6.00.
A Morris Chair, $7.50 to $20.
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LOCAL NEWS OF ALL PITTSBURGH

Population 726,964	THREE CITIES 45 BOROUGHS 26 TOWNSHIPS
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Body Taken Home—The body of E. B. Johnston of Canton, O., who committed suicide at No. 41 Second avenue yesterday, was taken to his home by relatives last night.

Coasting is Forbidden—As the result of a narrow escape from a serious coasting accident to three small boys on a sled at Fifth street, Braddock, yesterday, the police of the borough have forbidden coasting on streets in the borough which lead to traction lines.

Contest for Two Medals—The elocution contest to be held in the K. of P. hall, West Elizabeth, on Christmas night promises to be the best thus far held. Two gold medals will be competed for. One will be awarded by the judges and the other by vote of the audience.

Pennsylvania in Lead—The Presbyterian board for freedmen yesterday received a check for $1,700 from the Third Presbyterian church and a check for $500 from the First Presbyterian church of Germantown. In supporting the board Pennsylvania leads the states and New York comes second.

Looking for the Heirs—Attorney Harry L. Christy of this city is using every effort to locate the heirs of Thomas Malone and Andrew Gulden, Jr., who are left a large estate in Trim county, Meath, Ireland. The estate has been awaiting a claimant for a number of years, and is increasing in value.

More Men Go to Work—Five hundred men, who have been idle for over a week, went to work at the Homestead steel works yesterday. The 28-inch and 38-inch mills, which have been closed for that time while repairs were made, resumed. All of the departments are now ready for a continuous year's work.

Will Forward Memorial—The resolutions passed by Allegheny councils at the time of the death of President William McKinley will be sent today to Mrs. McKinley. The resolutions are in book form, beautifully engraved and bound in black morocco. The memorial was displayed at the city hall yesterday.

Disguised as Women—Aloysius Schmoker has returned from the Philippines, having completed a three years' enlistment in the hospital corps. In speaking of the massacre of American soldiers on the island of Samar Mr. Schmoker says that the Filipinos who did the work were disguised as women, there being more than 1,000 in the party.

Fifty Years of Service—High mass was celebrated yesterday at the convent of Mercy on Webster avenue in honor of the 50th anniversary of the day on which Sister M. Stephanie took the black veil. Sister Stephanie is 76 years old. During the civil war she served three years as nurse with the army. She was Miss Ann Ward, and was born in Ireland in 1827.

Noted Thief Caught—James Murphy, well known to the police as a pickpocket, was arrested yesterday by Detective Thomas M'Quaide. A conductor of the Southern Traction Company saw him and two others plying their trade on the West End cars. Murphy is a noted pickpocket and was arrested some time ago by Detective William Shore.

Sewer Completed—The new sewer system at Swissvale was completed yesterday afternoon. The system cost the borough $105,000. The work of making house connections was started yesterday afternoon. This will relieve the minds of a great number of the residents of the borough who have suffered greatly from flooded cellars.

Strike Was Settled—The strike which the carpenters employed on the Keystone building precipitated on Tuesday evening was settled yesterday morning at a conference between the contractors and the officers of the Brotherhood and Amalgamated Carpenters' unions. It was agreed that half of the carpenters should be Amalgamated men and the other half Brotherhood men.

A Fourteen-Year-Old Lover—W. S. Swartz, a well-to-do resident of Wellsville, O., was in McKeesport yesterday in search of his 14-year-old son, who, he thinks, left home through his infatuation for an actress. The actress is Miss Emma Bunting of Wellsville, who is a member of the Bon Ton company, which is showing this week at White's opera house in McKeesport.

Ended in a Riot—Delegates from the colored clubs of the Seventh and Twenty-first wards tried to hold a meeting yesterday. R. H. Allen introduced a motion that an independent colored party be organized and vote for its own candidates. The officers thereupon bolted and the meeting ended in a riot. Ajax Jones, who gained an entrance, was elected after much strife.

Airy December Costume—William Allen, a laborer employed at Wilson station on the new works of the Crucible Steel Company, was found at Camden station, across the river from McKeesport, about midnight Tuesday, attired only in an undershirt. J. W. Hyde, a merchant at Camden, saw the man, captured him and took him into his house. It is believed his mind is gone. He had traveled more than a mile in his airy costume when caught.

Woman Was Fined—Mr. and Mrs. William Karr of No. 3308 Liberty avenue were given a hearing yesterday by Alderman James Kirby on a charge of cruelty and neglect of a 14-year-old girl employed by them as a domestic. Mrs. Karr was fined $10 and costs, Mr. Husband discharged and the girl turned over to the care of the Western Pennsylvania Humane society. Agent S. F. O'Brien made the charge.

New Republican Club—Munhall Republicans held a meeting last evening at the office of Justice of the Peace C. N. McCleery, at which the Munhall Republican club was organized. The following officers were elected: W. W. Meehling, president; G. A. Stitt, vice president; Joseph Hill, secretary; G. W. McCleery, treasurer; R. R. Gardner, O. C. Posten and Secretary Hill were appointed to draw up a constitution.

As Suspicious Characters—Herman Greenbaugh, B. Markel, J. Goldstein and two others, all Jews, were arrested yesterday afternoon in various parts of the city by Capt. Fred Will and Lieut. Garret Crossan. All are charged with being suspicious persons. It is claimed by the police that their sources of living are questionable. Several of the men were released on forfeit for a hearing this morning before Magistrate McKenna.

For Their Own Fuel Supply—N. J. McGeehy & Co., the iron and steel manufacturers of Leetonia, O., are arranging to secure their own supply of fuel in the Pittsburgh district. The company will take out a Pennsylvania charter next month through Knox & Reed, as the McGeehy Coal Company, to capitalize at $250,000. The exact location of the property to be developed is unknown.

Letters May Furnish Clue—Col. John S. Christy of No. 954 Penn avenue, called at the morgue last night with a lot of letters left in his care by Carl Kramer, the latter boarded with him eight months ago and left without telling where he intended to go. He died in a hospital at Youngstown yesterday and the authorities there wanted to hear of some of his relations. Col. Christy said he has a brother in New York city.

Apple Put Eye Out—Andrew Rissel, 15 years old, who lives with his parents at No. 1506 Muriel street was arrested yesterday and locked up in the Twentieth ward police station, upon a charge of aggravated assault and battery, made by Martin Grzeszczeski of No. 44 Enon alley. The prosecutor alleges that young Rissel threw an apple at his son, who is also about 15 years old, and put one of his eyes out.

Saved by Fireman—A Shady avenue traction car ran into a coal cart driven by James Hall yesterday at Penn avenue and Thirty-fourth street. The wheels were smashed and Hall was hurled into the street. The car was still moving when William Zeip, a fireman from No. 25 engine house, seized Hall by the coat and dragged him out of reach of the wheels. Hall was unconscious and was removed to the West Penn hospital.

Jumped from Window—Harry Clohessy, aged about 36 years, a telegraph operator employed by the Pittsburgh, McKeesport & Youghiogheny railroad at Braddock, yesterday afternoon leaped from the second-story window of his boarding-house, on Braddock avenue, and received serious injuries. He is thought to be temporarily insane, as the result of a wound in the head, received in a fall a few days ago. He is now at Mercy hospital.

Will Build New Church—The congregation of the Eleventh United Presbyterian church, in the East End, held a meeting last night and decided to build a new church on the site of the present one. The probable cost was considered, but no decision was made as to the amount of money to be spent. Another meeting of the congregation will be held to make the final decision. After the meeting a reception was held in honor of the recently called pastor, the Rev. W. P. Thompson.

A Peculiar Excuse—Mrs. Mattie Jones, who keeps a boarding house at No. 1901 Webster avenue, was given a hearing before Alderman John Downey yesterday afternoon on a charge of larceny by bailee, preferred by one of her boarders, George W. Hyde. Hyde testified that he gave the defendant $24 to keep for him last week and that she would not give it back to him. Mrs. Jones claims she gave the money to a man to keep for her and he has not returned it. She was held for court.

Body Was Identified—The body of Thomas Maloy, who died in a patrol wagon on Tuesday when being taken to No. 2 police station, was identified at the morgue yesterday by his sister, Mrs. Elizabeth Kirkwood of Soho street. She said he was a widower, 43 years of age. He had been at her home on Tuesday morning and had told her he was sick and intended getting medicine from the charity department, an order for which was found in his pocket. He had no permanent home and she arranged for his proper burial.

Moved Into New Building—The new power building of the McKenna Bros. Brass Company, limited, First avenue and Ross street, has just been completed. The company is now moving from its former quarters, Nos. 218 to 222 Third avenue, which property McKenna Bros. recently sold. The new power plant of steel and brick construction, six stories high and 100x84 feet, cost $110,000. It was erected by the Fort Pitt Bridge Company and Contractor A. J. Gillaland. The power equipment includes steam and gas engines and electric dynamos.

Congressman Honor Guest—Ex-Congressman George H. White of North Carolina, a colored man, was the guest of honor at the banquet held last night by the Locust club at the club rooms, No. 68 Fulton street. It was in celebration of the club's fifth anniversary. Mr. White responded to the toast "What Should Be the Negro's Attitude in Politics?" While here he is the guest of Walter Billows, president of the club. Mr. White's term in congress expired in March, and he was recently appointed a collector of the port in North Carolina by President Roosevelt.

Break Jail or Freeze—Rather than stay in a cell in the Munhall lockup and freeze, Fred Cline broke out of the jail at 3 o'clock yesterday morning and escaped. He was later recaptured and fined $5 and costs by Burgess John M. Molamphy. Cline was placed in the cell in a building, which has neither gas or other fire. At 2 o'clock he complained of being cold. When he was next visited at 3:30 he was gone. The wooden floor was torn up and stones pushed out under the basement. Cell recaptured he said he would have frozen to death had he stayed there.

Unknown Died in Bed—An unknown baker was found dead in bed at the home of Valentine Gleb, No. 1808 Carson street, yesterday at noon. Gleb runs a baker shop in the same building, and on Tuesday night the baker regularly employed there became ill, and he secured the services of a man from the bakers' supply house. The man worked that night until 5 o'clock yesterday morning, when he went to bed. An attempt was made to awaken him at 12 o'clock, but this could not be done, and when the door was broken in the man was found to be dead. His body was taken to the morgue and all efforts to discover his identity were of no avail.

Expects Agreement—Leopold Mamboury, president of the Federation Co-Operative Window Glass Company, while in Pittsburgh yesterday asserted that he is confident that all the window glass interests will be brought together about the first of the year and re-establish profitable prices and thus end the price war under which jobbers are selling at less than cost in purchasing from the big companies. Mr. Mamboury said that the Philadelphia meeting had brought most of the eastern independent and co-operative concerns into his company and that a meeting of independents of the west at Chicago is expected to throw factories with 200 pots into the new selling agency company. This will give his company about 800 pots.

Punishing Intimidation—The committee appointed by the McKeesport councils to confer with the officers of the United States Steel Corporation in that city relative to the reinstatement of men discharged on account of the recent strike met yesterday morning and performed the duty assigned to it. At the office of the National Tube Company Manager G. O. Crawford informed the committee that all discharged men would be taken back if they could prove that they were in no way instrumental in preventing men from going back to work during the strike. The answer of Manager Edward Locke of the Demmler tin plate works was about the same as that of Mr. Crawford. The committee will make its report at the next meeting of councils.

Water Famine in Homestead—Homestead and Munhall boroughs are still suffering from the water famine, which has existed there since Tuesday morning. Divers are still at work clearing out the inflow pipe at the water works, but owing to the high water little progress is being made. One of the small pumps was started yesterday afternoon and a scant supply was furnished the residents in the lower portion of Homestead, but the hill district and Munhall are still without water. The Carnegie library has been closed, as there is no water for the boilers that furnish heat for the building. The Fifth ward school was compelled to dismiss the pupils yesterday morning for the same reason, and the many private concerns and residents are suffering.

Two New Agents Needed—At the regular weekly meeting of the Western Pennsylvania Humane society yesterday afternoon Supt. Thomas M. Porter stated that owing to the large number of complaints being made of cruelty to animals since the cold weather began it will be necessary to execute the work of the society properly, that at least two additional agents be employed for the coming two or three months. The society instructed him to employ two new agents for the time stated. Mrs. Albert L. Swift was elected a member of the society. Supt. Porter reported the following moneys received: Donations, cash, $400; Shanahan Transfer Company and Mrs. Charles Donnelly, $10 each; Peter Bock, John Murphy, A. Guckenheimer & Bros., James F. McMorris and Frank Moore, $5 each, and Burns & Gillihan, $2. Fine from Alderman S. J. Toole, $10. Total $457.

NEW TRUST COMPANY APPLIES FOR CHARTER

Standard Security Co., Capitalized at $250,000, Will Take Over Assets of Citizens Insurance Co.

Pittsburgh is to have still another important trust company. The Standard Security Trust Company is to be incorporated in Philadelphia January 15 by a number of prominent Pittsburghers, and plans to be ready for business about April 1. Initial capital of the company, as provided in its charter, will be $250,000, with a surplus of $125,000, these amounts to be increased after the incorporation, possibly three or four-fold. The interests forming the company have taken over the assets of the Citizens' Insurance Company of Pittsburgh, which some time ago re-insured all its fire risks, preparatory to going out of business. These assets in stocks, bonds, mortgages and other securities and property amount to over $700,000. The risks which the insurance company reinsured in closing its insurance business, which was launched in 1849, were nearly $32,000,000.

The incorporators of the Standard Security Trust Company are William G. Park, Robert S. Smith, F. M. Armstrong, John Bindley, H. P. Fears, John H. Wilson, Otis H. Childs, Wallace H. Rowe, Edwin Bindley, Emil Winter, Johns McCleave, Willis F. McCook, W. C. Jutte and Howard Welch. Nearly all of these will be directors in the company and the officers now determined on are Robert Smith, president; John Bindley, president of the Bindley Hardware Company, vice president, and Howard Welch, who was secretary and treasurer of the Citizens' Insurance Company, treasurer.

The company has not yet determined on its place of business, but it will be in the banking district, probably on Wood street or Fourth avenue. The company may later erect its own building. The business of the company will be on the line of the existing trust companies and will probably include some savings bank business. It is not intended now to go into the surety feature provided in its charter.

Fined for Shoplifting.

WHEELING, W. VA., Dec. 18.—(Special.)—Mrs. William Lacy, the wife of an engineer on the C., L. & W., was arrested tonight in Stiffets' dry goods store on a charge of shoplifting. Upon being searched a tollet case and a number of woolen skirts were found secreted in pockets of her dress. She was fined $20 and costs.

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The success and popularity of the new catarrh cure, Stuart's Catarrh Tablets, is largely because it not only cures catarrh, but because catarrh sufferers who use these tablets know what they are taking into their systems. Stuart's Catarrh Tablets are composed of Red Gum, Blood Root and similar valuable and antiseptic ingredients, and are pleasant to the taste and, being dissolved in the mouth, they take immediate effect upon the mucous lining of the throat, nasal passages and whole respiratory tract.

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FACTIONS TURNED DOWN.

President Roosevelt Makes His Own Selection of Federal Officials for the City of St. Louis.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 18.—(Special.)—There is no Christmas cheer for Richard Kerens in the Missouri federal appointments announced today by the president. For many weeks the rival Republican factions from Missouri have stormed the White House early and late in an endeavor to gain control of the federal patronage in that state.

At first it was a three-cornered contest between National Committeeman Kerens against State Chairman Atkins and the two Republican congressmen from St. Louis, Joy and Barthold. Mr. Kerens demanded the reappointments of C. H. Smith, his personal and political friend, as surveyor of the port of St. Louis, and of H. C. Greener as collector of internal revenue. State Chairman Atkins opposed both appointments.

The president took the responsibility of making his own selection. Accordingly he chose Charles S. Gallenkamp for surveyor, who is entirely acceptable to the two St. Louis representatives.

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DEATHS.

BURTON—At Kittanning, Pa., on Tuesday, December 17, 1901, at 3:45 p. m., ALFRED M. BURTON, aged 56 years. Member of Post 3, G. A. R.

Funeral services at his late residence, 407 Frankstown avenue, Pittsburgh, Pa., on Friday, December 20, at 2 p. m. Interment private.

(Boston papers please copy.)

BURNING—On Tuesday, December 19, 1901, at 6:30 a. m., MRS. ELLEN DURNING, in her 90th year.

Funeral from the residence of her son, James Durning, No. 1012 Center avenue, Pittsburgh, on Thursday, December 19, at 9:30 a. m. High mass of requiem at St. Paul's cathedral, at 10 o'clock. Friends of the family respectfully invited to attend.

EDGAR—On Tuesday morning, December 17, 1901, at 10 o'clock, MARY JANE, widow of David Edgar.

Funeral services at her late residence, No. 1290 James street, Allegheny city, Thursday evening, December 19, at 7:30 o'clock. Interment private on Friday morning.

GRAPP—On Wednesday, December 18, 1901, at 10 p. m., at her residence, 615 Third street, Allegheny, AMELIA GRAPP, widow of John Grapp, in her 72d year.

Notice of funeral later.

HECHELMAN—On Monday, December 16, 1901, at 6:30 a. m., at her residence, No. 709 Washington street, Allegheny, EMMA E. HECHELMAN, wife of Dr. Herman W. Hechelman.

Funeral services will be held at her late residence on Thursday afternoon at 2 o'clock. Interment private.

JOOS—On Monday, December 16, 1901, at 11 p. m., LEO JOOS, husband of Margaret Joos, aged 61 years, 8 months, 16 days.

Funeral from his late residence, 141 Southern avenue, Knoxville, on Thursday, December 19, at 8:30 a. m. Friends of the family and members of Company A, First Regiment Uniform Knights of St. George, are respectfully invited to attend. High mass at St. George's Roman Catholic church at 9 a. m.

KENNEDY—On Tuesday morning, December 17, 1901, at 8:35 o'clock, BRIDGET, wife of Michael Kennedy.

Funeral from the residence of her daughter, Mrs. John Harris, 17 Clio street, near Gum street on Thursday morning at 8:15 o'clock. Solemn high mass of requiem at St. Paul's cathedral at 9 o'clock. Friends of the family are respectfully invited to attend.

[Fresno (Cal.) papers please copy.]

M'CONNELL—On Wednesday, December 18, 1901, at 12:25 a. m., at the family residence, Westminster place, No. 2 Aiken avenue, East End, EARL McCONNELL, eldest son of Alexander McConnell.

M'KINNEY—On Tuesday, December 17, 1901, at 10 p. m., MISS MARTHA JANE McKINNEY, in her 49th year, at West Penn hospital.

M'MAHON—On Wednesday, December 18, 1901, at 1 a. m., TIMOTHY M'MAHON, aged 67 years.

Funeral from the family home, 11 Carrie street, Allegheny, Saturday, December 21, at 8:30 a. m. Requiem high mass at St. Peter's church at 9 o'clock. Friends of the family and members of Branch 34, E. B. A., are respectfully invited to attend.

MOFFAT—On Wednesday, December 18, 1901, at 5:15 a. m., at the residence of his mother, Mrs. J. P. Moffat, 098 S. Dallas avenue, East End, EARL CHESTER, in the 19th year of his age.

Funeral services Saturday afternoon at 2 o'clock. Interment private.

MURPHY—Suddenly, Tuesday morning, December 17, 1901, at 3 o'clock, HARRIETT C. MURPHY, sister of John A. Murphy, at the residence, No. 6321 Howe street, East End.

Funeral services Thursday afternoon at 2 o'clock. Interment private.

PATTERSON—At his home, New Texas, Pa., Tuesday morning, December 17, 1901, at 1 o'clock, JOHN PATTERSON, in his 80th year.

Funeral services at Plum Creek Presbyterian church Thursday morning at 11 o'clock.

SMITH—On Tuesday, December 17, 1901, at 10:30 a. m., JOB C., husband of Christi H. Smith, aged 53 years.

Funeral services on Thursday evening, December 19, at 8 o'clock, at his late residence, 558 Morgan street, Thirteenth ward, Pittsburgh. Friends of the family are respectfully invited to attend. Interment on Friday, private.

SMITH—On Monday, December 16, 1901, at 10:20 a. m., J. W. G. SMITH, husband of Catherine Smith (nee Flock), aged 61 years, 6 months, 3 days.

Funeral from his late residence, No. 5142 Liberty avenue, on Thursday afternoon at 1:30 o'clock. Services at German Protestant church, on Mathilda street, at 2 o'clock. Hazelwood Council No. 210, Royal Arcanum, Gutenberg Lodge No. 140, A. O. U. W., and friends of the family are respectfully invited to attend.

STOLL—On Wednesday, December 18, 1901, at 6:45 a. m., PHILOMENA F., wife of Charles Stoll, aged 57 years.

Funeral from her late residence, corner of Bridge and Butler street, Etna, on Friday, December 20, at 2 p. m. Service at the First German Protestant church at 2:30 p. m. The Ladies' Aid society, Rebekah lodge, I. O. O. F., and friends of the family are respectfully invited to attend.

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REPORT OF THE CONDITION OF THE FIRST NATIONAL BANK at Allegheny, in the State of Pennsylvania, at the close of business, December 16, 1901.

RESOURCES.

Loans and discounts		$1,501,393 83
Overdrafts, secured and unsecured		2,312 42
U. S. bonds to secure circulation		100,000 00
Premiums on U. S. bonds		3,000 00
Stocks, securities, etc.		28,847 00
Banking house, furniture and fixtures		115,000 00
Other real estate owned		5,716 61
Due from national banks (not reserve agents)		34,565 73
Due from state banks and bankers		2,020 21
Due from approved reserve agents		76,704 19
Checks and other cash items		2,001 73
Exchanges for clearing house		55,461 53
Notes of other national banks		3,021 00
Fractional paper currency, nickels and cents		250 09
Lawful money reserve in bank, viz: Specie	$62,756 95	
Legal-tender notes	80,000 00	122,756 95
Redemption fund with U. S. treasurer (5% of circulation)		5,000 00
Total		$2,422,824 93

LIABILITIES.

Capital stock paid in	$250,000 00
Surplus fund	75,000 00
Undivided profits, less expenses and taxes paid	45,322 81
National bank notes outstanding	100,000 00
Due to trust companies and savings banks	48,187 15
Individual deposits subject to check	958,086 81
Demand certificates of deposit	85,184 98
Cashier's checks outstanding	11,213 00
Total	$1,422,819 82

State of Pennsylvania, county of Allegheny, ss: I, E. H. Kramer, cashier of the above named bank, do solemnly swear the above statement is true, to the best of my knowledge and belief.

E. H. KRAMER, Cashier.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, this 18th day of December, 1901.

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Correct—Attest: JOHN THOMPSON, R. C. TANNEHILL, W. G. LEE, Directors.

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BANK STATEMENTS.

REPORT OF THE CONDITION OF THE MARINE NATIONAL BANK, at Pittsburgh, in the state of Pennsylvania, at the close of business, December 16, 1901.

RESOURCES.

Loans and discounts		$ 856,761 76
Overdrafts, secured and unsecured		1,015 37
U. S. bonds to secure circulation		250,000 00
Premiums on U. S. bonds		5,000 00
Stocks, securities, etc.		5,000 00
Banking house, furniture and fixtures		211,000 00
Due from national banks (not reserve agents)	$ 39,436 05	
Due from state banks and bankers	2,000 00	
Due from approved reserve agents	76,302 84	117,738 89
Internal revenue stamps		50 00
Checks and other cash items		3,399 72
Exchanges for clearing house		20,175 67
Notes of other national banks		6,079 00
Fractional paper currency, nickels and cents		734 87
Lawful money reserve in bank, viz: Specie	86,615 20	
Legal-tender notes	20,000 00	106,615 20
Redemption fund with U. S. treasurer (5 per cent. of circulation)		11,250 00
Total		$1,597,854 52

LIABILITIES.

Capital stock paid in	$ 250,000 00
Surplus fund	250,000 00
Undivided profits, less expenses and taxes paid	1,270 52
National bank notes outstanding	246,000 00
Due to other national banks	4,784 75
Dividends unpaid	75 00
Individual deposits subject to check	737,492 23
Demand certificates of deposit	8,230 41
Certified checks	1,001 90
Total	$1,498,854 52

State of Pennsylvania, county of Allegheny, ss: I, E. H. Kramer, cashier of the above named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

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THURSDAY, DECEMBER 19, 1901.

FOURTEEN PAGES.

The Old Block House.

The spirit of determination displayed by the Daughters of the American Revolution in their opposition to the proposed removal of the old block house from its present site to Schenley park, will be applauded by many citizens. The sentiment that attaches to places of historic interest, especially those closely connected with the history of a community, is shocked when obliteration is threatened by the ruthless hand of progress, and local pride is touched in a tender spot. The block house is the last relic of the colonial period left to Pittsburgh, and naturally there are strong protests against its removal from the site it has so long occupied.

Some time ago there was talk of beautification of the Point district and the hope was entertained that one of the results would be a pretty little park around the place of defense that played so important a part in Pittsburgh's beginning. Recently, however, the plan of beautification gave way to one that included the erection of great warehouses covering the entire district of historic interest, and so hemming in the block house as to practically hide it from view. When Mrs. Schenley donated the block house property to the Daughters of the American Revolution provision was made for an entrance way 20 feet in width should Fort street eventually be vacated, and in the event of the warehouse project being carried this narrow strip of ground would afford the only means for seeing the relic of antevolutionary times.

If crowded New York can afford to maintain both Battery park and Bowling green in its Point district, surely Pittsburgh can retain one small historic site in a similar situation. The daughters of the American Revolution take the right view of the question and we hope their opposition to the proposed removal will be successful.

Protects Young Offenders.

Law officers in Pittsburgh have had occasion to condemn the practical workings of a law passed by the legislature last winter with reference to the incarceration of youthful offenders in the ordinary prisons and places of confinement for criminals. While the intent of the law is most admirable it is found that because of lack of specific directions as to the disposition of youthful offenders and the absence of places of detention other than the regular prisons the new measure is likely to encourage disreputable and criminally inclined boys to deeds of mischief and lawlessness. In a number of instances arrests of this class of offenders have been made, but as there was no place of confinement other than the regular lock-ups and prisons, the parents not consenting to have their offspring sent to a reformatory, they were turned loose only to repeat their offenses again upon the first opportunity. In some of the magisterial districts there is great complaint over the lawlessness of a class of young boys whose ages do not exceed 14 years, but whose careers for them for deeds of destructiveness and violence that make them almost as great a terror to the community as could be the operations of older criminals. So long as it was possible to hold over the heads of these young outlaws the fear of punishment their conduct could in a measure be regulated, but by the practical workings of the new law they have come to understand that there is no danger of imprisonment and hence practice their offenses with the most daring impunity.

When complaint is made and the youthful criminal is arrested both the police and the court are powerless to act unless the parents of the child consent to have him sent to a reformatory, which, in nine cases out of ten, they refuse to do. The law is a good one in intent and spirit and was meant to save young boys from contact with hardened criminals in the usual places of confinement, but there should be some relief had from the annoyances and even dangers that the unrestricted young hoodlums of the various communities may see proper to inflict upon more peaceful and law-abiding citizens. In the absence of parental control the people should be given some legal protection.

Approval from Expert Critics.

The champion growlers are constrained to acknowledge that the United States is doing all that can be done to give the new American dependencies an honest and efficient government. It is comforting to learn that the National Civil Service Reform league is pleased with the progress of affairs, and announces that the outlook for the firm establishment of the merit system in the dependencies of the United States is satisfactory and gratifying.

The special committee of the league charged with keeping a watchful eye on the insular possessions is pleased to express its approval, and the league is pleased to announce its acceptance of its committee's report. It has been ascertained that the president's declarations and his appointments harmonize perfectly, and that "every official charged with a duty touching the government of our dependencies is imbued with a profound sense of duty, an adequate realization of the gravity of the situation, and the imperative necessity of an unselfish, patriotic execution of the laws and regulations in the interest of the highest welfare of the inhabitants of the dependencies."

As the National Civil Service Reform league is pleased with the management of insular affairs, all other critics might as well hold their peace.

Work of the Kindergartens.

There is one point among the many suggestive ideas contained in the annual report of the kindergarten superintendent to the Free Kindergarten association that deserves the especial attention of all who are interested in raising the standard of intelligence among the dwellers in the cities. That is, the illiteracy of large numbers of the foreigners attracted to Pittsburgh by this city's industrial establishments. This illiteracy is not to be wondered at when public school statistics show that the average child of foreign parentage enjoys but four years of school life, because at the age of 9 or 10 such children are withdrawn to aid in the maintenance of the family.

The visitors of the kindergartens, whose work is by no means restricted to the schoolroom, report that a great many foreign mothers are absolutely incapable of giving their children the moral guidance or example which future citizens of the republic ought to have as a preparation for life. It is for these reasons that the work of the kindergartens is of inestimable value. It reaches the children and influences them at an earlier age than would otherwise be possible, and thereby extends their period of instruction. Money for the support of these schools voted by the educational authorities of the cities, and money contributed by private persons who understand their worth, is an investment that will earn dividends in an increase of intelligence, and will save expense by decreasing the need for corrective institutions, jails and penitentiaries.

Education in Porto Rico.

One of the most interesting reviews of the conditions existing in the Islands of Porto Rico under American rule so far received is that given by Dr. M. G. Brumbaugh of the University of Pennsylvania, who has recently returned from his duties as superintendent of Porto Rico schools, a position to which he was assigned by President McKinley. Dr. Brumbaugh's report, embodied in an address delivered before the University of Pennsylvania, fairly teems with interesting facts concerning the growth and development of educational interests among the Porto Ricans. Some idea of the vastness of the work that the United States has set out to perform in educating the Porto Ricans may be gathered from the fact stated by Professor Brumbaugh that in the 400 years that Porto Rico was under the rule of Spain not a single school house was erected on the island in which anything resembling popular education might be secured. How rapidly and thoroughly this condition has been changed under American rule may be gathered from the following statistics given by Dr. Brumbaugh:

> When I went to Porto Rico the first time I found 940,000 human beings, natives, on the island, of whom 85 per cent were illiterate. The school organization by the military bureau of education had enrolled about 25,000 pupils and $330,000 had been expended in the fiscal year 1899-1900 for these pupils. In the next school year, at an expense of $400,000, 38,000 children attended school, and this year, with a budget of $501,000, we have 992 school buildings of all kinds and 50,000 pupils enrolled.
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> This represents in part the growth of the school idea in Porto Rico. Last year we reduced the percentage of illiteracy fully 6 per cent and had an average attendance of 70 per cent, being the largest gain in literacy, and, with Massachusetts excepted, the largest average of attendance in any state or territory under our flag.
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> We have a first-class normal school in operation, with an enrollment of almost 200, while a large and beautiful building for this school, at a cost of $40,000, is now nearing completion at Rio Peidras. The school in the meantime is held in the summer palace of the governor. High schools, as good as any in the cities of equal size here, are organized in every city in which pupils are ready to pursue the course.

When it is understood that this remarkable progress has been made in the face of early and violent opposition on the part of a majority of the leading natives of the island the record is truly wonderful, and is an earnest of what this government will do in the future for the enlightenment and elevation of the people of Porto Rico.

Under the wiser and more practical systems of teaching inaugurated the native opposition to public instruction is slowly dying out, and where once the Porto Ricans looked upon the American school system as a political device and shunned it, they are now readily and eagerly embracing the splendid opportunities offered them for obtaining an education, recognizing that for Porto Rico "the door of entrance to statehood is the door of the public school."

Dr. Brumbaugh's report is one of the most gratifying pieces of evidence that has been offered since our control of the island possessions, which came to us through the war with Spain. The United States is going successfully forward in the high mission of civilizing the peoples thus brought under our influence.

A Hopeful Conference.

The proceedings of the labor and capital conference in New York city encourage the hope that something will be done to bring about a better mode of settling disputes than that afforded by strikes and lockouts. The very fact that prominent representatives of workmen and of the employing interests have met to discuss such a subject is of itself extremely encouraging. All candid observers must agree that the strike is a crude tool for the removal of obstructions in the way of a clear understanding between the men who do the work and the men who pay for it. John Mitchell illustrated the fact admirably when he declared that he had seen more strikes than any other man of his age in this country, but that there never was a strike which could not have been avoided if the opposing interests had first met and fairly considered their respective rights.

It is the duty of the plan and scope committee to devise some method by which such consideration as this can be devised before strikes are ordered. The results of the deliberations of committee and conference will be awaited with deep interest.

Congressman John S. Little of Arkansas has introduced in the house a bill for the free coinage of silver at the ratio of 16 to 1. If it had been in order as a part of the religious services in the house, "Hark, From the Tombs a Doleful Sound" might have been appropriately sung by the assembled solons.

Ellis Glenn has emerged once more into public notice by declaring her purpose to help elevate the American stage. Ellis might play Dr. Jekyll and Mr. Hyde acceptably.

The fellow with a $10 per week salary and a brand new marriage engagement on hand is the man who doesn't regard Christmas as a season of unalloyed happiness.

It will be noticed that a majority of the Americans who have signified a desire to help dig the canal want to use a pen or a typewriter rather than a spade.

Prince Henry of Holland, husband of the queen, is not expecting Santa Claus to take much interest in him this year.

By the aid of a Pennsylvania railway tunnel New York stands a chance of becoming a really great city.

This is the season of the year when the fond head of the house prepares to be Christmas treed.

Ohio is sure to feel aggrieved over the fact that the new postmaster general is a Wisconsin man.

South America might get a few points on real war by watching our baseball situation.

President Castro seems to be the Andy Freedman of the South American situation.

Northsiders are making some important New Year resolutions.

Next time the Anti-Trust league should be sure of its man.

Santa Claus need not go astray through lack of advice.

It will be plain Editor Smith after January 15.

There is a prospect of the usual Christmas thaw.

Answers to Correspondents.

K. K., Allegheny—Applicants for positions in the library must be residents of the city before they can take the prescribed examination. The examination is prepared for the occasion and covers general information and literature.

E. C. E., Plain Grove—Making a ring from a coin is mutilation. The law specifically forbids mutilation.

I. L. M., Rimersburg—Waste paper is of little value in the way of which you speak. See a junk dealer.

H. R. W.—A patent is granted to protect the inventor of a device from infringement. A patent, therefore, cannot be invented.

Mr. Schwab a Generous but Cautious Giver

THE PITTSBURGH GAZETTE BUREAU,
Herald Building, Herald Square,
NEW YORK, Dec. 18.

Charles M. Schwab played Santa Claus today in generous fashion. He was descending in an elevator for luncheon after attending the big labor conference, when a representative of a newspaper which will give a Christmas tree party to poor children, asked him for a contribution. Mr. Schwab knew the applicant, presumably, for he answered cordially: "With pleasure." Then he brought out his pocketbook and dug out two bank notes. One was for $1,000 and the other for $500. He handed them to the newspaper representative and said he was glad to be able to help such a deserving object. That was all. He was with Charles A. Moore, and after handing the $1,500 to the collector, he resumed his conversation on matters connected with the conference they had just left and went to luncheon with a smile on his face. It is not every collector that can get the assistance of Mr. Schwab. He is a shrewd man of business, generous and good-tempered as he is, and unless he is assured that the cause for which his aid is asked is worthy, he can shut off an applicant with a decision that cannot be mistaken. In the comparatively short time during which he has lived in the metropolis Charles M. Schwab has become one of the most distinguished men in it, and he has as many friends uptown in the evening as he has downtown in regular business hours. It is fortunate for him that he has a well-managed system of guarding his office in the big Empire building, or his generosity of today would lead to his being beset by beggars of every degree. As it is, strangers cannot get at him unless they waylay him outside his sanctum, and that is not much use unless he is willing to talk when accosted. The off-hand gift of $1,500 to the Christmas tree fund is a general subject of conversation along upper Broadway tonight.

The Penalty of Distinction.

So many prominent men of affairs have been brought into New York by the great labor conference that the hotels where they are sojourning are obliged to be on their guard to protect their guests from the annoyance of cranks. Senator Hanna particularly is always a target for men of small wit and large grievances. A fellow in a linen duster and fur cap was turned out of the Waldorf-Astoria last night because he insisted on striding up and down the main floor, asking loudly for "Mark Hanna." He fell into the hands of the house detective and was pitched out of doors, with the senator happily unconscious of his presence. Some of the labor leaders, like Shaffer and Gompers, although they do not live at the Waldorf, have been indebted to the vigilance of friends for their escape from an occasional rencontre with a crank. It is the penalty of distinction everywhere, but especially in New York.

Cleveland Will Think About It.

Grover Cleveland is not the man to give his approval to anything on the spur of the moment, so he would not say today whether or not he would accept a position on the committee of thirty-six appointed by the National Civic federation committee as a court of labor. It is hoped that the only ex-president of the United States alive will go on the committee when he has had time to think it over, but he will not say so until he is ready.

A New Singing Bird.

Among the pleasant musical afternoons that are so plentiful in New York just now was one today that will soon be repeated in Pittsburgh. It was a song recital by Miss Susan Metcalfe, a mezzo-soprano of more than common talent. She is about to begin a tour under the supervision of Henry Wolfsohn, and, judging by what she has done in New York, she will create a sensation. Her entertainment today was at Mendelssohn hall, and in her program were works of Mozart, Handel, Haydn, Brahms, Tosti and others. The two numbers that seemed to meet with the greatest approval were both German. They were Haydn's "Standchen" and "Der Mond Steht Uber dem Berge," by Brahms. Miss Metcalfe is a vocalist whom it will pay to watch.

White Child Adopted by a Chinaman.

One of the freaks of legal procedure turned up in a Brooklyn court today. It was the granting to a Chinaman the right to adopt a Caucasian baby. Sue Chung Chew is the Chinaman, and he is court interpreter. The child is eight weeks old and is the son of a 16-year-old girl whose husband deserted her. The court could not see any objection to the baby passing into the care of the Chinaman when it is shown that Sue is a respectable, well-educated man with a good deal of property of his own. The infant will, doubtless, grow up into a good citizen and may acquire the uncommon accomplishment of being able to talk fluently in the Chinese tongue as well as his native American.

Mansfield Turns Poet and Composer.

Richard Mansfield's new national anthem, words and music by himself, will be played in public for the first time on Sunday night by Sousa's band at the Herald square theater. It is entitled "Hail to the Flag." There is nothing remarkable in Mr. Mansfield composing a song, for that he is an accomplished musician most persons know. He inherited his talent from his mother, Mme. Rudersdorf, presumably. However that may be, it is said by persons who have heard his new composition that the music is worthy of its inspiring theme and that the verses have the poetic touch. It is not Mansfield who says all this. He would be a bold man that asked the haughty Richard what he thought of his own work.

Gallant Men Dodge a Difficult Issue.

That old argument on the question, "Shall married women teach?" is whizzing through the class rooms of the public schools of New York and battering itself into ejaculations for and against at the board of education. The sentiment of the average New York matron is that married women can find enough educational employment in their own homes, unless they have an angel for a husband. Many married teachers do not agree with them. There are some who have recently taken unto themselves the cares and responsibilities of matrimony who do not like to relinquish their comfortable little salaries, and who insist that a married woman can do her work in a school as well as spinsters. The matter is before the teachers' committee, but that body, like the wise men they are, have dodged the issue and will continue to do so until after the holidays. They want to enjoy their Christmas in good will to men—and women.

Tammany Can Clean Streets.

The snow that descended upon New York yesterday afternoon and evening disappeared rapidly today. The sun did its share of removal, but the street cleaning department took a hand, too, and, between them, they soon had the streets clean. Perhaps it was in the hope of proving to the incoming administration that New York can be cleared of snow in a few hours when the authorities set their minds to business that such a quick job was made of it. At all events, there were only the usual "white wings" at work, and they got the snow away so quickly that it was hard to believe, from the appearance of the leading thoroughfares, that we had had any snow at all. All this is so extraordinary that it would be unjust not to give the department credit for its activity.

Christmas Gifts for Far Away Friends.

Every ship that goes from this port now carries immense quantities of holiday presents in its hold. The St. Louis, that departed this morning for Southampton, was one of the heaviest laden Christmas ships" that has steamed away from New York this winter. The large freight piers of the American line were jammed with packing-cases and crates full of Christmas things, and the stevedores had to work hard to get them all aboard before the signal was given to cast off. Passengers on the ship were on the upper deck looking down at their friends on the pier, and many of them had bunches of holly instead of the bouquets of American Beauties which have long been the orthodox floral souvenir for departing voyagers. The spirit of Christmas is in the air everywhere in this great city, but nowhere was it more persistent this morning than on the big St. Louis as she backed out into the North river and straightened out her nose pointing down the bay for her trip to the other side. There is a possibility of her passengers being obliged to eat their Christmas dinner on board ship, although, barring unexpected delays, they will partake of it with their friends in Merrie England.

Anna Held's Name in Electric Letters.

Anna Held has some new songs in her musical comedy, "The Little Duchess," at the Casino. She is drawing large audiences. The ordinary Broadway stroller asks "Why not? The only electric sign you can see on that side of the street from Herald square is that showing her name. She is a nice little thing, and she has good entertainments; but if she had not, what could you do about it, with such spectacular advertising? Why, all Broadway is permeated with 'Anna Held' when the lights are on."

A Vanderbilt Quits the Stage.

Mrs. Jack Wilmerding, who is a Vanderbilt girl, has left the stage. It is known to Pittsburghers that this lady, who was a dashing member of the smart set, has been in the company headed by Grace George, which is played "Under Southern Skies" at the Theater Republic. Mrs. Wilmerding has not had a heavy part—in fact, she was one of the ladies that "walked on," as they say in London, in a fashionable scene—and her salary is given as $5 a week. Her entrance upon a theatrical career caused something of a sensation, and there have been many of her friends at the theater to see how she looked on the business side of the footlights. The story goes now that some of the Vanderbilts have declared a strong objection to a young woman who has the honor of being a granddaughter of Commodore Vanderbilt appearing on the stage. Perhaps if she had a more important part, they might be willing to accept it; but an "extra lady," no. So Mrs. Wilmerding is off, and Miss George and the rest have to get along in "Under Southern Skies" as best they can without her. Mrs. Wilmerding was also in "The Climbers" with Amelia Bingham.

Snow Causes a Dearth of Milk.

One of the unpleasant consequences to New York of the railroad blockades was a scarcity of milk. The milk trains generally get through when there is any chance at all; but this time a lot of them were stalled in the mountains, or held by broken bridges and washouts, and milk was becoming even more of a luxury than it is usually in this city. Of course there are cows near enough to New York to make their owners independent of the regular milk trains in getting their milk to the metropolitan market, but these cows are as nothing compared with the immense demand for milk by a city of 3,000,000 inhabitants and more. Some of the Tenderloin crowd are said to have suffered untold agonies because they could not obtain their regular quantum of milk punch, gin-and-milk, and other necessaries of life.

Dogs and Fashion in Juxta-Position.

There was no better place to study fashion at close quarters today than the dog show at Madison Square Garden. This was the first day of the exhibition, and it opened with a ta-ra-ra-boom-de-ay. In fact, there was one of the ladies that "walked on," as they say in London, in a fashionable scene—and her salary is given as $5 a week. Her entrance upon a theatrical career caused something of a sensation, and there have been many of her friends at the theater to see how she looked on the business side of the footlights. The story goes now that some of the Vanderbilts have declared a strong objection to a young woman who has the honor of being a granddaughter of Commodore Vanderbilt appearing on the stage. Perhaps if she had a more important part, they might be willing to accept it; but an "extra lady," no. So Mrs. Wilmerding is off, and Miss George and the rest have to get along in "Under Southern Skies" as best they can without her. Mrs. Wilmerding was also in "The Climbers" with Amelia Bingham.

A Wide Approach for the New Bridge.

When the new East river bridge is in operation it will give to New York one of the widest and handsomest thoroughfarer in Manhattan, and in the Bowery district, too. This was decided today. The board of public improvement this afternoon decided to widen Delancey street from the point where the approach to the bridge will strike the street level as far west as the Bowery. This will take in all the territory of the distinguished "mayor of Poverty Hollow," who made such a spectacular stand for his constituents who were "evicted" to give room for the improvements. The new street will send real estate values soaring to that neighborhood, just as the Pennsylvania railroad tunnel and terminal projects have sent them up around Herald square.

GEORGE C. JENKS.

Pittsburghers in New York.

The following Pittsburghers are registered at the New York hotels today:

WALDORF-ASTORIA.
A. E. Anderson. W. S. Elliott.
B. H. Warren.

HERALD SQUARE.
Albert Graham.

IMPERIAL.
S. C. Selby. J. M. McCollum.
W. N. Davis. H. W. Cheney.
F. A. Brown.

HOLLAND.
H. P. Howell. J. P. Kennedy.

GILSEY.
F. A. Tritsram. B. Roberts.

FIFTH AVENUE.
William S. Hough. James F. Keenan.
W. H. Rudd. H. McAfee.

ASTOR.
Charles F. Wells.

THE DEATH ROLL.

Mrs. Emma Sherrick.

Mrs. Emma L. Sherrick, wife of the Rev. George W. Sherrick, pastor of the First United Brethren church of Washington. Her death was due to cancer of the stomach. Deceased was born at Butler Hill, Pa. She attended the schools of Butler Hill and later entered the Westfield college at Westfield, Ill., graduating with honors from that institution four years later. She then came east and settled in Ohio, teaching in the public schools at different places in that state. Three years later she became a member of the faculty of Otterbein university at Westerville, O., where she also taught successfully for several years. She was married to Mr. Sherrick while a member of the faculty of Otterbein university. She is survived by her husband and the following children: Elvert Sherrick, Wendell P. Sherrick, Elden Sherrick, Margaret Sherrick and Irene Sherrick.

Mrs. Mercy Sheldon.

Mrs. Mercy E. Sheldon, aged 81 years, died yesterday morning at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Newton Potts of Prospect avenue, Ingram. Death was due to old age. Mrs. Sheldon's husband died but two months ago at Sterling, Ill., and the shock due to receiving the news of his death is supposed to have helped to cause Mrs. Sheldon's demise. She came to Ingram about four years ago from Sterling, Ill., where she spent a great part of her life. She is survived by one daughter, Mrs. Potts, whose husband is connected with the Fate Deposit and Trust Company of Pittsburgh, and also by two sons, both living in Sterling. She was a member of the Presbyterian church.

Mrs. Philippina Stoll.

Mrs. Philippina Stoll, wife of Charles F. Stoll, proprietor of the Stoll hotel, Penn, died yesterday morning of heart trouble. She was 58 years old. She is survived by her husband, two sons, Charles and Albert, and five daughters, Mrs. Anna M. Davis, Mrs. Carrie F. Whitehall, Mrs. Emma Nicholas and Misses Catherine and Jeannette Stoll. Mrs. Stoll was a member of the German Evangelical Protestant church.

Isaac St. Clair.

FRANKLIN, Pa., Dec. 18.—Isaac St. Clair died here this morning from Bright's disease. He was born at Franklin Square, O., in 1847, and came to Franklin about 25 years ago. During the war of the rebellion he served as a private with great credit in Company F, One Hundred and Ninety-sixth Ohio volunteer infantry. He was a member of Mary post of Franklin.

Elliott Armstrong.

SHARON, Pa., Dec. 18.—Elliott Armstrong, aged 68 years, dropped dead yesterday at the residence of Samuel McCullough in Hickory township. He had stopped in the house while on his way to Mercer to warm himself, when he fell over on the floor and expired. He leaves a widow and four children. One son is a policeman at Youngstown, O.

Mrs. W. H. Blottenberger.

BEDFORD, Pa., Dec. 18.—Mrs. William H. Blottenberger died suddenly at her home at Fisherton yesterday. She was 34 years old and is survived by her husband and her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Clover of Point and three sisters. Mrs. Blottenberger's death occurred on the fourth anniversary of her wedding.

J. C. Stone.

LEAVENWORTH, KAN., Dec. 18.—J. C. Stone, Sr., aged 75 years, died at his home here today from illness incident to old age. He served through the Mexican war as a captain, was adjutant general of the state of Kansas during the civil war and was one of the first projectors of the Union Pacific railway.

Mrs. Anna Woods.

NEW CASTLE, Pa., Dec. 18.—(Special.)—Mrs. Anna Woods died this morning after an illness extending over a period of seven months. She is survived by three children, Andrew W., Joseph and Mrs. Charles Berger, all of this city. Mrs. Woods was a member of the Park Disciple church, and was a leader in church and charitable work.

C. M. Voree.

CLEVELAND, O., Dec. 18.—C. M. Voree, a prominent attorney of this city, dropped dead today from heart disease, while purchasing holiday gifts in a store on Euclid avenue. Mr. Voree was about 60 years old.

Miss Blanche Welty.

GREENSBURG, Dec. 18.—Miss Blanche Welty, a prominent young woman of this place and a niece of D. F. Welty of Allegheny City, died last night, aged about 30 years.

Obituary Notes.

Timothy McMahon, the Carrie street, Allegheny, grocer, died at 1 a. m. yesterday. He was a member of Branch No. 2, B. A.

Alfred M. Boyce of No. 607 Franklin avenue died in Kittanning. He served in the Third Massachusetts volunteers during the civil war.

Mrs. Mary Jane Edgar, aged 77, is dead at her home, No. 1209 James street, Allegheny. Two sons, Clarence, of Chicago, and George S., of Allegheny, survive her.

At the home of her daughter, Mrs. John Harris, No. 17 Cliff street, Mrs. Bridget Kennedy died on Tuesday, aged 82. She had lived in the Fifth ward for 50 years. She is survived by four children, Mrs. Margaret Snyder, John Kennedy, Mrs. Harris and Mrs. Charles Hooper of Tyrone, Col.

PERSONALS.

C. C. Marshall, president of the Perry Mining Company of Uniontown, Pa., was registered at the Hotel Duquesne last night. Mr. Marshall is one of the largest coke manufacturers of Connellsville, and, in speaking of the congested freight traffic on all the principal railroads in this section, said: "The enormous demand for cars at this season of the year is almost every line of industry is unprecedented in the history of this country. Business in nearly all branches has grown enormously in the past year, and there is no let up to trade, apparently, in any section. It is not a question with the railroads of car congestion. It is simply a matter of getting cars. Business has outgrown the facilities of the railroad companies for handling the traffic and the officials are in no way to blame. They are doing all in their power to relieve the situation, but there seems to be little prospect for immediate relief. The fact of the matter is the railroad companies did not realize the immense volume of business and did not begin to prepare in time for handling it."

N. F. Ramsey, superintendent of the mail car service of the Wabash railroad, who has been in the city for the past two days, left last evening for Toledo. Mr. Ramsey was born and brought up in this city and has many friends here. He was a charter member of the American club and an early official of that organization. Since leaving Pittsburgh he has watched the growth of the club's fame throughout the country with much interest. He talks interestingly of politics in the city in years ago, in which he took an active part. Since leaving Pittsburgh he has taken considerable interest in politics in a non-professional manner and is a well-known figure at the national conventions of the Republican party. His home now is at Dayton, O.

About 20 business men of Pittsburgh and Allegheny held a meeting in the Hotel Duquesne last night to form a society of people who were born and raised in the south. The meeting was called to order by James S. Wood, who was instrumental in its call, and he stated its object. It was unanimously decided to call the new organization the Southern Society of Pittsburgh, and Warren La Rue Thomas was elected temporary chairman and James S. Wood temporary secretary. The following persons were appointed a committee to draw up a set of by-laws: E. G. Neuwelinger, R. F. Wendle, G. P. Haury, William Norwood and J. M. Dell. At the next meeting, which will be called in a few days, the organization will be perfected.

The members of the bench and bar of Pittsburgh have formed a society known as the Round Table. The organization is composed of about 40 jurists and lawyers, and their first banquet will be given at the Hotel Duquesne tonight.

Harry C. Pulliam, secretary and treasurer of the Pittsburgh baseball club, left last night on the New York and Chicago limited over the Pennsylvania railroad for his home in Louisville, Ky., to spend the holiday season.

The Rev. Dr. J. Wilbur Chapman of New York spent yesterday in Pittsburgh and was a guest at the Hotel Lincoln.

Judge Harry White of Indiana county stopped over a few hours in Pittsburgh yesterday en route from Ebensburg, Pa., where he has been in attendance at court.

J. A. Murray, Ralph Peters, C. E. Sims and L. F. Lores are prominent railroad officials registered at the Hotel Lincoln last night.

Neighbors Visiting Pittsburgh.

The following visitors from nearby towns were registered at Pittsburgh hotels last night:

Grimsbi—James R. Hill, East Liverpool, O.; C. M. Oyad, Oil City, Pa.; W. S. Brewer, Connellsville, Pa.; L. W. Wood, Toronto, O.

Monongahela House—David W. Horner, Lima, O.; Hotel Anderson—Dr. Washington, Pa.; Samuel C. Gist, Wellsburg, W. Va.; [illegible] Hughes, Morgantown, W. Va.; [illegible] McCoy, Mercer, Pa.

Lincoln—W. L. Denning, Salem, O.; Robert W. Burns, Dayton, O.; C. H. Hubbard, Wheeling, W. Va.; A. D. Armitage, Akron, O.; John M. Firth, Wheeling, W. Va.

Victoria—W. A. Fairfax, Washington, Pa.; S. C. Rodis, Wheeling, W. Va.; Charles A. Wood, Akron, O.

Anderson—T. P. Wiley, Falls Creek, Pa.; William Hanson, Oil City, Pa.; R. J. Hemminger, Confluence, Pa.; W. H. Hoover, Canonsburg, Pa.; J. S. Cooper, Parker, Pa.

Neville—George F. Carr, Tyrone, Pa.; W. L. Stevenson, West Newton, Pa.; William L. Hoffman, Chester, Pa.; B. F. Stevenson, Florence, Pa.; William Weil, Akron, Pa.; G. W. Hershey, Youngstown, O.; A. J. Mercer, Marquette, O.

Seventh Avenue—F. A. Hilderbrand, Chillicothe, Pa.; Charles Hughes, Waynesburg, Pa.; H. A. Clark, West Middletown, Pa.; Charles C. Ames, Cleveland, Pa.; F. C. Chapman, Indiana, Pa.; L. D. Hemmingway, Wellsboro, Pa.; James V. Thompson, Uniontown, Pa.

Henry—Adolph Hartwirth, Uniontown, Pa.; J. A. Barnhart, Scottdale, Pa.; F. E. Dent, Mendville, Pa.; J. H. Patton, D. J. Trainer, W. N. B. Hughes, Harrisburg, Pa.; J. D. Byrd, Georgetown, Pa.

Duquesne—Edward McDonald, Connellsville, Pa.; H. F. Byrd, St. Marys, W. Va.; A. C. Hogan, Uniontown, Pa.

An Exclusive Gambling Hell.

From the Forum.

At Ostende the admission fee is 2 f., which operates to exclude nearly all persons excepting those who wish to play, whereas at Monte Carlo the gambling rooms are open all day—yes with curious exceptions.

Nevertheless, at the height of the season the gorgeous and aristocratic salons of the Ostende Club are generally crowded with men and women, in about equal proportions, and the regulation evening dress of the men and the toilettes and jewels of the women make the scene about the tables as dazzling as it is demoralizing. Roulette and trente et quarante are the favorite games, the former generally for low and the latter for high stakes. The minimum stake is 5f. and the maximum is 12,000f. The maximum limit is frequently passed by most superfluous and reckless gamblers, and the total winnings and losings of a day or a night are without parallel in any previous proportions. Just what these proportions are is known only to the inside management. That they are uniformly large can be readily inferred from the fact that it is no uncommon thing to see a single player win or lose 200,000f. at a single sitting. With hundreds of players at the tables, playing late and night, with stakes proceeding all the way from 5f. to 1,000f., it is not difficult to reach the conclusion that upward of 1,000,000f. are daily lost and won at these tables—and they are generally lost by the players. No doubt the game is fair and square enough, so such games go. It is not necessary for the proprietors of gambling establishments at Ostende or elsewhere to take any unfair advantage of their patrons in order to win their money. Their main reliance is on the carelessness and fatal hardihood of the average gambler, who never knows how to stop playing until he has lost his last sou.

What the Editors Are Discussing

THE STATE PRESS.

Josiah Flynt has investigated it and asserts for its size Allegheny City is the greatest den known for thieves in this country. What would he learn if he tried McKeesport.—McKeesport Times.

What move to thwart the nearly unanimous public sentiment for a transatlantic ship canal will the transcontinental railway interests next devise? Let us hope they are up against it.—Scranton Tribune.

And now Attorney General Elkin receives through the medium of some unnamed "friend" that he has things all fixed in Florida to run for governor in Pennsylvania. He may be given a livelier and harder run than he is looking for.—Bradford Record.

The weatherwise prophets declare that the winter now begun will be the coldest ever known by the present generation. Possibly those predictions are inspired by the emissaries of the coal trust. At all events the predictions are very similar to what was heard last year just about this season.—Braddock Herald.

John H. Crawford of Scrubgrass is the first person to announce himself as a candidate for the nomination of county treasurer. Mr. Crawford has been a life-long Republican and having been before the voters of the party six years ago as a candidate for the same office, will undoubtedly receive his full share of support.—Franklin News.

Maj. Isaac B. Brown today makes formal announcement of his candidacy for secretary of internal affairs, subject to the action of the Republican state convention next year. Maj. Brown has been the second in authority in this important department of the state government for several years and as deputy secretary and commissioner of railways has established a fine record for faithful service. He is strongly indorsed by his comrades of the Grand Army of the Republic and will have the united support of the northwestern counties.—Harrisburg Telegraph.

Why Mr. Elkin Won't Do.

From the Uniontown Genius.

Some weeks ago, prior to the November election, the Genius said that if the Republican ticket should be elected the Fayette county delegation to the Republican state convention of 1902 would support Elkin for governor. There was then no suspicion that the asinine Stone would make the awful mess politically that he has. But it's been done. Stone has killed his own senatorial prospects absolutely and sent those of Elkin to the hospital, from which they may only emerge in a hearse. If conditions should shape up satisfactorily, however, from a machine standpoint, Frank Fuller may yet be able to carry out the understanding by which Elkin is to get the Fayette delegation and Frank himself be appointed attorney general in case of Elkin's election. But all the chickens that are being thus counted in advance may not hatch out. The Harrisburg inpatient sometimes gets strong, especially when manipulated by a blundering old rooster like Bill Stone. Elkin is not likely to be chosen governor of Pennsylvania next year. But Democrats could look upon his nomination with much satisfaction.

EDITORIAL ODDS AND ENDS.

The open season for "busted" water pipes and plumber jokes is on.—Oil City Blizzard.

This may be old-fashioned winter, but we prefer the up-to-date variety.—Wheeling Register.

If this weather continues, coal may be added to the Christmas shopping list.—Canton Repository.

After all, Uncle Sam is the only one of the powers that has the real Santa Claus spirit.—Columbus Dispatch.

The weather sharps who predicted the cold wave two days ahead of time have our most high appreciation of their forethought and wisdom, but they do not need to get smart and try it on again.—Akron Beacon-Journal.

Mrs. Nation's monthly magazine has suspended publication. The old lady has lost her husband and his name. She is no longer regarded seriously by anybody. And this sad and sorrowful slump in her notoriety has all occurred in one short year. Fortune is fickle.—Bedford Era.

The bad little boy who hasn't seen the inside of a Sunday school since the before the last picnic will be seen next Sunday, with his face washed and hair slicked up, sitting on the front seat with a face as pious as visions of the Christmas treat will permit it to be.—Uniontown Genius.

It is, perhaps, enough to know that Admiral Dewey thinks pretty well of Admiral Schley. Both proved themselves fighters, and to fight was, after all, one of the objects of the Spanish-American war.—Bedford Record.

This is the manner in which the Illinois newspaper refers to its villainous contemporary down the street: "If you had all the people in the county who would believe Bill Blank on oath in one room there wouldn't be enough to start a conversation." We know Pennsylvania editors who belong to Bill's class.—Scottdale News.

Here it is again—we have had it in type for the past year. Those intending to bring presents to the News force will form in line on Liberty street on Christmas morning, right resting on Thirteenth street and the Pittsburgh

LATEST NEWS OF SOCIETY AND GOSSIP OF THE HOME

For the Dainty Woman.

CHRISTMAS shopping is foremost in the minds of nearly everyone. Yesterday morning and afternoon social affairs were almost neglected while society girls flitted from shop to shop. Many of them remembered the toy mission and it received a large consignment of toys, while other institutions were likewise visited. In the evening the Nordica concert in Carnegie music hall was the stellar social attraction.

A number of brides will be in Pittsburg during the holidays. Mr. and Mrs. Augustus Gross MacConnell returned a few days ago from their wedding trip and are now staying with Mrs. MacConnell's father, Alan W. Wood, in Forbes avenue, Oakland. Mr. and Mrs. MacConnell, who were married in the Church of the Ascension on Tuesday, December 3, went south for their wedding trip and returning stopped in New York. Mrs. MacConnell was Miss Rosalind Wood, who made her social debut last season. The sudden death of her mother, barely a month before the wedding, was the reason for the change from a brilliant evening church wedding to the quiet afternoon ceremony. Mr. Wood and his family will move to New York the latter part of January, when they will reside in the future. In the meantime Mr. and Mrs. MacConnell will remain with them, going to their own new house in the East End after the departure of the Woods for New York.

Mr. and Mrs. James C. Mevay will spend the holidays with Mr. Mevay's sister, Mrs. John I. Shaw of Shaw place, Bellevue, and are expected to arrive in Pittsburgh this evening. Mr. and Mrs. Mevay were married Thanksgiving day in Philadelphia, the home of the bride, who was formerly Miss Josephine Forepaugh, since their return from their wedding trip they have been in Philadelphia, which will be their home. Mr. Mevay is a brother also of Mrs. William Blackstock Rodgers of the East End and of Benjamin F. Mevay, Jr., the attorney. The Mevay family is in mourning because of recent death and no formal entertainments will be given in honor of the guests, but they will be entertained at a number of informal dinners and luncheons.

New Era Club Tea.

The New Era club held a social meeting yesterday afternoon at the home of one of its members, Mrs. Roger Aiken, in Squirrel Hill. It was one of the most enjoyable teas the club has had and the guests, including the club members and their friends, numbered nearly 150. Receiving with Mrs. Aiken were the club president, Mrs. Lavi Bird Duff, and the other officers. The social committee served refreshments in the dining-room. The house was prettily decorated in Christmas red and green. Holly tied with broad ribbons of rich red adorned the parlors and the dining-room, where the lights were covered with pink Japanese shades. A musical program was presented under the direction of Miss Hilda Abel and included some songs charmingly sung by Miss Barbour of Allegheny, and piano solos by Miss Augusta Abel.

The social meeting yesterday afternoon was given under the direction of the social committee, which includes Mrs. William J. Asking, chairman; Mrs. John Clark Wallace, Mrs. Rufus Martin, Mrs. Rhinehart Mayer and Miss Lillian Schulte.

A Philadelphia Guest Entertained.

Mrs. Louis S. Clark of Philadelphia, who is visiting her mother, Mrs. John Ormsby Phillips of Lincoln avenue, Allegheny, was the guest of honor yesterday afternoon at the reception given by Mrs. Frederic Kay Fetter, at her residence in Ridge avenue. The honors of the afternoon were shared with Mrs. Clark by Miss Florence Carter of Burlington, N. J., who is visiting Mrs. James Bakewell of Wightman street, East End. The reception was conducted on a large scale and several hundred guests were in attendance. The decorations were in crimson and green. Holly in graceful garlands and tied with gay red ribbons, the bright-leaved poinsettia and ample clusters of American Beauty and Liberty roses were in evidence. Assisting the hostess and her honor guests were Mrs. James Laughlin, Jr., Mrs. James I. Kay, Mrs. Robert Kay, Mrs. Charles E. Clapp, Mrs. Thomas Turnbull, Mrs. Robert Singer, Mrs. Lloyd Scott, Mrs. Van Lear Schriver, Mrs. Ella C. Fetter, Miss Mary Laughlin, Miss Mary P. Graff, Miss Elizabeth Burd Thaw, Miss Cornelia McKnight and Miss Josephine Phillips.

Mr. and Mrs. Clark have been making their home in Philadelphia for nearly two years, Mr. Clark's business interests being centered there. On leaving Pittsburgh they sold their handsome residence in Shady avenue to Mr. and Mrs. Edward H. Utley, and it was there that Miss Elizabeth Utley made her debut the other day.

The Kindergarten Report.

The annual report of Miss Georgia Allison, supervisor of kindergartens in Pittsburgh and Allegheny, submitted at the annual meeting of the Pittsburgh and Allegheny Free Kindergarten association in November, has been made public. Miss Allison reports 42 kindergartens in the two cities. In some of them there is a very strong foreign element, notably in that Negley Run kindergarten in River avenue, East End. Twenty-five kindergartens have been established in the public schools of Pittsburgh and nine in those of Allegheny, while others are in Sewickley, Oakmont and Edgewood park. One of the most interesting schools after that in Negley Run is the one started this year in the parish house of Trinity church. It is supported entirely by the congregation and, being in the heart of the city, is able to reach the children of Virgin, Pineapple and other alleys, also Grant street and Wylie and Webster avenues.

Cards for Miss Dixson.

Miss Eleanor Sherman Fitch entertained yesterday afternoon at cards, the guest of honor being Miss Dixson of Chicago, who is visiting Miss Hazel Shannon. The affair was delightfully informal and was given at the Schenley.

This evening Miss Anita Jones, daughter of Capt. David B. Jones, U. S. N., who makes her home in Shady Side, gives a skating party at Duquesne garden for Miss Dixson, to be followed by supper at the Schenley.

Grand Opera in Philadelphia.

The box holders for the season of grand opera in Philadelphia have been announced. Among the number are Mr. and Mrs. Anthony J. Drexel Biddle. Miss Jane Bradley of the East End, a sister of Mrs. Drexel Biddle, will spend a portion of the holiday season in Philadelphia as her guest. The opera season in Philadelphia will open on Wednesday, December 26.

Matinee and Dinner.

Mrs. W. J. Richey of St. James street, Shadyside, gave a matinee theater party yesterday afternoon at the Alvin in honor of Mrs. Herbert Austin Tripp. Her guests were Mrs. Tripp, Mrs. W. D. King, Mrs. H. A. Briney, Mrs. W. I. Mustin and Mrs. E. A. Armstrong. Mrs. Richey gave a dinner in the evening.

Mrs. Moore's Tea.

Mrs. Frank Moore will give an afternoon tea tomorrow at which the guests of honor will be the Misses Westinghouse.

HOUSEKEEPER'S NOTEBOOK.

To cook pork chops nicely the pan should be warm, not hot, and the meat should stand in a warm place for at least five minutes before cooking. The heat should be steady, but not too great, and the chops should be turned several times.

Sweet potatoes baked and eaten with butter, salt and a spoonful of rich cream, make a dish fit for the gods—or an epicure.

Pans and all iron and granite utensils may be cleaned much more easily with a scrubbing brush than with a cloth. It is well to keep a brush for this purpose alone, as it saves the fingers and temper many a time.

Turnips which have been boiled and "left-over" may be made into a delicious dish if they are put into an iron pan with a tablespoonful or two of butter, some salt and a good dash of pepper. The pan should be closely covered and the turnips left to stew in the butter for ten minutes or more, being shaken up occasionally to prevent their sticking.

With a deep pan of boiling water, into which a spoonful of soda has been dropped, a dish mop and all the dishes well scraped with a crust, from particles of food, the housewife may defy the labor of a "big dinner." The old fashion of putting the dishes helter-skelter into a pan of warm water to be washed piece by piece with the hands is never followed by the clever woman. A young housewife of Pittsburgh, who combines housework and society, washes her dishes daily, scarcely wetting her hands in the process. In addition to the pan, the boiling soda water and the mop, she has a dish drainer just the size of her sink, which she had made to order at a cost of 50 cents. On this the dishes are placed after the mop has washed them through the soda water, another pan of boiling water is poured over them, and in 10 minutes they are ready to be put away with none of the bother of rinsing, drying and polishing necessary in the old times.

Veal should always be cooked with a sliced onion or two and a few slices of carrot. These give flavor to the insipid meat, and if a clove and a little pinch of grated nutmeg be added the effect is delicious.

CURRENT MODES

That this is to be a "white winter," a season of white gowns, white hats, white wraps.

That ermine has not been so fashionable for nearly 50 years, being utilized for elegant little blouse jackets, three-quarter coats and superb full-length wraps, for neckpieces, muffs and to trim gowns and wraps of all kinds.

That white furs combined with brown are a "new thought," white baby lamb trimmed with Russian sable is ultra-fashionable.

That sable may always be worn with the serene consciousness of its exclusiveness. Sable furs with white cloth gowns are effective.

That flowing neckpieces of fur falling almost to the hem of the gown are a preference of fashion.

That the long, loose coat of white cloth may be confidently worn by the debutante for evening.

That fashion highly approves of white lace separate waists; very elegant are those of Irish lace with velvet buttons.

That the lace waist may be correctly worn with white or any light cloth skirt.

That the all-lace gown also basks in the sunshine of fashion's favor.

That white hats of modish pretensions are of snowy shaggy beaver, felt, lace or tulle; they may be trimmed with the soft art ribbon, velvet, fur and artificial flowers.

That the all-flower toque is one of the millinerial elegancies of the season; orchids, geraniums, violets are used for it, or simply foliage.

"Coronation crimson" is the latest color in velvet.

Some of the ladies are already wondering how they are going to put on their coronets at the thrilling moment when the sovereign is crowned without the aid of a looking glass. A small hand mirror might be smuggled in under the kirtle, and if the coronation be on a hot day in June, the titled ladies in velvet and ermine may find a surreptitious powder puff useful.

MARRIAGE LICENSES.

Marriage licenses were granted as follows yesterday:

George Haberman	McKeesport
Emma Eifenhoeffer	McKeesport
Charles Beal	Pittsburgh
Eva M. Alexander	Pittsburgh
Joseph A. Barton	Wilmerding
Elizabeth Smith	Pittsburgh
Dow Blair	Fayette County, Pa.
Laura Rhinnel	Fayette County, Pa.
Thomas A. MacKenzie	Aspinwall
Bertha M. Boyle	Ingram
Adam S. Princeler	Greensburg
Anna Shirley	Greensburg
Charles Stapel	North Avalon
Priscilla Lewis	Avalon
Hugh A. Barbee	West Virginia
Mary E. Byers	Pittsburgh
Joseph Clark	Pittsburgh
Julia Martin	Pittsburgh
Ira S. Thompson	Turtle Creek
Margaret K. Hefefer	Franklin
Joseph Harding	Homestead
Estella Leezer	Homestead
Arloe O. Greene	Pittsburgh
Hannah M. Reynolds	Allegheny
Samuel Burger	West Newton
Julia Gramary	Allegheny
Thomas Isherwood	White Ash
Matilda Burge	White Ash
Robert Thompson	Wilkinsburg
Mabelle F. Kramerer	Pittsburgh
Lawrence Woelfel	Allegheny
Bertha Kraus	Allegheny
George Hale	Carnegie
Minnie Schade	Carnegie
Jessa O. Patterson	McKeesport
Florence E. Hall	McKeesport
Rolfe D. V. Marthens	Pittsburgh
Mary J. Cowler	Pittsburgh
Bertha Kraus	Munhall
Maggie E. Orris	Munhall
John M. Randolph	Armstrong County, Pa.
Marion McGregor	Armstrong County, Pa.
Robert H. Wood	Lock No. 4, Pa.
Mattie T. Pendleton	Lock No. 4, Pa.
Harry A. Half	Pittsburgh
Eva M. Marks	Pittsburgh
William McIntyre	Allegheny
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HIGH SCHOOL MAY HAVE TO BE ABANDONED

Bellevue Has Outgrown Its School Accommodations, Including a Building Recently Erected.

The growth of the suburban residence district recently is unprecedented. A striking illustration of this fact is to be observed at Bellevue. A year or so ago a single building of 10 rooms furnished ample accommodation for all the people of the borough and, even, a high school. In the meantime the attendance increased so rapidly that the present school building and an additional four rooms in the old United Presbyterian church are overcrowded. To remedy the difficulty a new and larger school structure, to cost about $40,000, is being talked of by the school board. A committee is now looking for a suitable site somewhere in the territory north of Lincoln avenue, bounded by Avalon borough and Ross township.

When the United Presbyterian church property was purchased it caused quite a commotion in certain quarters. It was thought by some that there was no necessity for more school property, and in consequence the school board came in for considerable abuse. Now the school membership has not only outgrown both new and old quarters, but it will have to abandon the high school as well if additional accommodations are not soon secured, and the present requirements demand two high school teachers, instead of one.

A director said last night that the borough had outgrown itself in the matter of school room; that many children are now prevented from going to school, as the rooms already contained more pupils than the law allowed.

The expense of the new school will have to be borne, it is said, by the citizens of the ward in which it will be built, the remaining wards, of which there are three all told, being compelled to take care of the present bonded debt of the school. If it is decided to build a new school it is said that the church property, which is used for school purposes, will be sold.

DISCUSSED MINE PROBLEMS.

Central Mining Institute Held Interesting Session and Elected Officers for Ensuing Year.

Two sessions of the Central Mining institute were held yesterday, in the court house, and both were well attended.

P. B. DeArmit, president, made an address in which he reviewed the work of the association for the past three years, dwelling on its growth.

The election of officers also occurred at the morning session, and the following were chosen: President, P. C. Keighley; vice presidents, Charles Connor, Arthur King; secretary and treasurer, James Pitch.

It was decided to hold the next meeting at Uniontown. It will take place next summer, the exact date to be set by the executive committee.

At the afternoon session two papers were read, both of which were interesting to mine workers. One, "The Barometer and Its Usefulness, Relative to Mining Operations," was read by C. Z. Shellenberger, M. E., of Pittsburgh.

W. C. Wilkins, C. E., of Pittsburgh, read a paper upon the subject, "Mechanical Engineering as Applied to Coal Mines and Its Relations to the Economical and Successful Operation of the Same."

This morning interesting papers will be read by Austin King of Leisenring, and James Blick of Idlewood.

A Lehmann-Hofmann Concert.

C. L. Graff of New York has just completed arrangements for the appearance in concert at Carnegie Music hall, on the evening of January 9, of Mme. Lilli Lehmann, the Wagnerian soprano, and Josef Hofmann, the young pianist. Both of these great artists are now appearing to crowded houses in eastern cities, and Pittsburg will undoubtedly avail itself of the opportunity to hear two such stars during the same evening.

WILL PLAY IN FRENCH.

Mme. Bernhardt Finds English Too Much for Her, but Maude Adams Accepts the Situation.

NEW YORK, Dec. 18.—(Special.)—As a result of negotiations between Maurice Grau, representing Mme. Sarah Bernhardt, and Charles Frohman, manager of Miss Maude Adams, a radical change of plan has been made in connection with the joint tour of these actresses in "Romeo and Juliet." Mme. Bernhardt was again to show her versatility by touring America with Miss Adams and playing Romeo in English, the entire company to speak that language, but the French actress for once found it impossible to carry out her ambitious plans. She has sent word to Mr. Grau that she must cut out the English book as presenting an impossible task. Either the tour must be abandoned or "Romeo and Juliet" must be played in French. Miss Adams to undertake the Gallic version of the Shakespearean tragedy.

When Mr. Frohman wrote to Miss Adams of the situation she promptly telegraphed that she is willing to play in French, adding: "Who's afraid?" In this prompt way the difficulty was met, and a tour of 100 nights has been arranged.

SAYS SHE WAS DESERTED.

Newark Woman Tells a Pitiful Story of How She and Five Children Were Left Alone.

NEWARK, O., Dec. 18.—Mrs. E. S. Snelling of West Church street appeared before Mayor Herbert Atherton last evening and told a pitiful story before filing an affidavit charging her husband with desertion and abandonment of herself and five children.

Mrs. Snelling said to the officer that her husband left town last Thursday in company with a Mrs. Lear, with whom it is said he is infatuated. As the parties are supposed to have gone to Columbus notice has been sent to the Columbus police with instructions to look out for Mr. Snelling and notify the Newark officers. Mr. Snelling has been engaged in selling meat in West Main street. He is well known in this city, where he has had a good reputation.

WILL RECOVER $700,000.

Chicago Contractors Encountered Unexpected Obstacles and Won Suit for Remuneration.

SPRINGFIELD, ILL., Dec. 18.—By a decision of the supreme court, handed down today, John McKechney and John McKechney, Jr., surviving partners of the contracting firm of Wier, McKechney & Co., will recover approximately $700,000 from the city of Chicago.

Wier, McKechney & Co. did work on a tunnel to bring water from the lake to pumping stations. Unexpected rock was struck, and the firm brought suit for extra compensation for removing it. The decision today affirms the decision of the appellate court, and the claim is allowed.

APPEAL TO CONGRESS.

McKinley Arch Association Preparing Bill and Petition.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 18.—At a meeting today of the executive committee of the William McKinley National Memorial Arch association, they preliminary steps were taken for carrying out the objects of the organization through congressional assistance.

A bill will be prepared for the creation of a commission to select a site and secure designs for the memorial, the question of cost to be left for future consideration. A joint petition to congress in behalf of the project will be drafted.

Hall Secured by Methodists.

BEAVER FALLS, PA., Dec. 18.—(Special.) Hurst's hall has been secured by the congregation of the Bridgewater A. M. E. church that was destroyed by fire on Monday morning, and the church building will be rebuilt.

STUDENTS AT PRINCETON.

Pennsylvania Leads in Number of Attendants at Old Nassau.

PRINCETON, N. J., Dec. 18.—Registrar H. N. Vandyke announced today that the university catalogue for the present year will appear within a few days. It shows a general increase of students in all departments, the entire increase over last year being 110. The total number of students now in the university is 1,339, of whom 760 are in the academic department, 476 in the scientific school, and 123 in the graduate school.

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NEW CASTLE, PA., Dec. 18.—Whether teachers are good spellers or not will be decided in this city next Saturday afternoon, when the teachers of the public schools of the city and county will meet in an old-fashioned spelling contest. City Superintendent John W. Canon and County Superintendent Thomas M. Stewart will be the judges and the contest will be held in the New Castle Business college.

Prizes of a substantial character are offered, and many teachers will strive for the honor of being considered the best speller in the county. Preparatory contests have been held in both city and county, and only the victors in these trials will be eligible to compete in the championship meet.

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Ch. Pitts. Express and St. Louis	8:00 a.m.
Wash., Baltimore and New York	8:00 a.m.
Connellsville, Uniontown & Fairmont	8:00 a.m.
Connellsville and Mt. Pleasant	8:00 a.m.
Cincinnati, Chicago & St. Louis	12:01 noon
Connellsville, Cumb'd & Morgantn	12:01 noon
Cincinnati, Chicago & St. Louis	4:00 p.m.
Washington, D. C., and Wheeling	4:00 p.m.
Chicago & Cincinnati	4:00 p.m.
Connellsville, Cumb'd & Piedmont	4:00 p.m.
Washington, D. C., and Wheeling	4:00 p.m.
Morgantn, Uniontown & Connellsville	4:00 p.m.
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Washington and New York	7:00 p.m.
Chicago	7:00 p.m.
Cincinnati, Chicago and St. Louis	8:00 p.m.
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Morgantn, Uniontown & Connellsville	8:00 p.m.
(Dropping Uniontown)	
Washington and New York	11:30 p.m.
Chicago	11:30 p.m.
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BUFFALO, ROCHESTER and PITTSBURGH RAILWAY.

From P. & W. Station, Allegheny. Eastern Standard Time.

	Leave.	Arrive.
Buffalo, Rochester, Pittsburg Express	*3:00 a.m.	*6:45 p.m.
Dunkirk and Buffalo Express	*4:15 p.m.	*11:50 p.m.
Buffalo & Rochester Express	†10:00 p.m.	†7:30 a.m.

*Daily. †Week-days. The 3:00 a. m. train has cafe and free reclining chair cars. Pullman sleeping cars 10:00 p. m. train between Pittsburg and Buffalo, and Rochester and Buffalo. Ticket office, 355 Fifth ave., Park Bldg. J. B. TOMB, Gen. Supt. L. A. BOMBON, Gen. Pass. Agent. Pittsburgh, Pa.

PITTSBURGH & LAKE ERIE RAILROAD.

CLEVELAND SHORT LINE.

Schedule in Effect Nov. 3, 1901.

Central Time.	Depart.	Arrive.
Chic. and Cleve. Flyer	*7:00 am	11:15 am
Newcastle & Cleve. Mail	*8:25 am	*9:00 am
Buffalo and Erie Express	*8:30 am	†9:45 pm
L. Chautauqua Fast Line	12:50 pm	†5:00 pm
Buffalo and Erie Express	*3:00 pm	*7:00 pm
Cleveland and Chicago Ex.	*3:00 pm	†9:00 pm
Chicago & Cleve. Flyer	*5:00 pm	*8:00 pm
Buffalo and Erie Ex.	*5:30 pm	*10:00 pm
Cleve. and Youngs. Accom.	*5:45 pm	*8:10 pm
Beaver Falls Accom'dation	6:30 am	7:45 am
Beaver Falls Accom'dation	8:30 am	9:45 am
Beaver Falls Accom'dation	12:10 pm	1:25 pm
Beaver Falls Accom'dation	3:30 pm	4:45 pm
New Castle Express	4:30 pm	7:45 pm
Beaver Valley Express	11:30 pm	12:45 am
Fayette City & N. Haven	*8:00 am	*9:15 am
McKeesp't & Fayette City	†11:50 am	†12:55 pm
Fayette City & N. Haven	*3:00 pm	*4:15 pm
Fayette City Express	*8:20 pm	*9:35 pm

Trains depart for Ellwood City, 10:30 a. m., *3:00 a. m., 12:50 p. m., *2:00 p. m., 4:30 p. m.

P., C. & Y. trains for Carnegie, Bentleyville and Beechmont, 10:50 a. m., 11:05 a. m., 2:05 p. m. (Butler accom.), 6:10 p. m.

†Note—6:00 p. m. train on Sundays to Youngstown only.

City Ticket office, 357 Fifth ave., Park Bldg. J. R. TOMB, Gen. Supt. L. A. BOMBON, Gen. Pass. Agent. Pittsburgh, Pa.

BALTIMORE & OHIO RAILROAD.

HOLIDAY RATES.

Baltimore & Ohio Railroad.

On account of the CHRISTMAS and NEW YEAR HOLIDAYS the Baltimore & Ohio R. R. will sell excursion tickets at Greatly Reduced Rates to and from points on its line between Pittsburgh, Connellsville, Wheeling, Parkersburg, Kenova, W. Va., and intermediate points, good going Dec. 24, 25 and 31, 1901, and Jan. 1 1902; valid for return until Jan. 2, 1902.

BESSEMER & LAKE ERIE R. R.

Schedule in effect Nov. 17, 1901. Trains leave Allegheny.

EASTERN STANDARD TIME.

For Erie, Girard, Meadville and Conneaut, O., 8:00 a. m., Parlor car. For Greenville, Mercer, Grove City and Butler, 8:30 a. m., 1:15 and 8:20 p. m. All trains daily except Sunday.

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RAILROADS.

Pittsburgh Union Station.

Pennsylvania Lines.

By Central Standard Time.

Leave.	Arrive.
Chicago and Cincinnati Express	3:00 a.m.
Cincinnati, Columbus & Chicago Express	3:00 a.m.
Fort Wayne and Chicago Express	3

HOUSE PASSES THE PHILIPPINE TARIFF MEASURE

Five Republicans Vote in Opposition and Three Democrats in Its Favor.

DALZELL ENDS DEBATE

Promptly Meets a Democratic Objector on a Point of History—A Mississippi Man Pitches Into the Supreme Court—Features of Act.

[BY ASSOCIATED PRESS TO THE GAZETTE.]

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 18.—The bill to provide revenue temporarily for the Philippine islands passed the house today by a vote of 163 to 128. Five Republicans—Messrs. McCall of Massachusetts, Littlefield of Maine, Heatwole, Eddy and Stevens of Minnesota—voted with the Democrats against the bill, and three Democrats—Messrs. Robertson, Davey and Broussard of Louisiana—voted with the Republicans for it. Mr. Meyer, a Democrat of Louisiana, was paired in favor of the bill with Mr. Foster, an Illinois Democrat. Mr. Warner of Illinois, who voted against the Porto Rican bill last congress, voted for the Philippine measure today. Mr. Crumpacker of Indiana, who also voted against the Porto Rican bill, was absent.

In the course of the debate today the Democrats were several times taunted with their failure to present an alternative proposition for the pending measure; but just before the vote was taken on the passage of the bill the attitude of the minority was defined in a motion to recommit, offered by Mr. Richardson, the minority leader. It instructed the ways and means committee to report the bill back amended so as to reduce the customs and internal revenue laws of the United States to a revenue basis and to extend them to the Philippines until the latter, with the aid of the United States, should be able to set up a stable, independent government.

Richardson's Proposition Buried.

This proposition did not command one Republican vote, and the three Louisiana Democrats before mentioned voted against it. Mr. Meyer of Louisiana was paired in favor of it.

Mr. Gregory of Pennsylvania was one of the speakers in favor of the bill.

Mr. Williams of Mississippi paid his respects to the supreme court, which, he said, arrived at its decision by a "shifting majority of one." It decided that the islands were sometimes domestic and sometimes foreign. It made of the old inelastic, oath-bound constitution an instrument that would bend to political necessities.

The debate was closed by Mr. Dalzell in a speech of an hour. He drew a parallel between the government of the Louisiana territory immediately after its acquisition and the government of the Philippines, to show the latter was much less arbitrary and despotic than the former. He commended to those on the other side who were so zealous of the rights of the "little brown men" in the Philippines the protection of the rights of the black men in the south.

This measure purports to be a revenue bill," interrupted Mr. McDermott of New Jersey. "Can he cite any act which imposed a duty upon goods from one territory or state to another?"

Interruptor Told to Sit Down.

"Certainly," replied Mr. Dalzell. "If the gentleman will examine history he will find that duties were levied for a long time on goods from the territory of Louisiana, paid also from Florida." (Republican applause, followed by laughter, as Mr. Mann of Illinois called out to Mr. McDermott, "Go 'way back and sit down.")

"I mean as an act of congress," persisted Mr. McDermott. "He cannot cite me to any act of congress, because there is none."

Mr. Dalzell taunted the other side with their utter inability to present anything as a substitute for the pending bill. He said they desired to make their protest as ineffectual as possible.

In conclusion he declared that to turn the islands over to the Filipinos would be to make them the prey of some buccaneer country; to put them up at auction would be dishonor.

"It rathes indulge the belief and hope," said he, "that traveling along our traditional historic lines we shall go forward to the Christianization and civilization of those islands of the sea until we shall establish there the principles of civil and religious liberty." (Republican applause.)

The bill passed today imposes the Dingley rates on goods entering the Philippines from the United States. It also provides for the collection of tonnage taxes on vessels plying between the United States and the Philippines, and that foreign vessels may ply between these ports until January 1, 1905. The duties and taxes collected under the provisions of the bill shall go into the Philippine treasury, to be expended for the use and benefit of the islands.

TREATMENT OF CHINESE.

Opposing Delegations on Exclusion Heard by House Committee.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 18.—The house committee on foreign affairs had an informal hearing today on the subject of Chinese exclusion, prominent members of the Asiatic association being heard in favor of fair treatment to Chinese merchants, travelers and students, while Representative Kahn, who represents the San Francisco district, including Chinatown, and Herman Gutstadt, representing the Federation of Labor, spoke for rigid exclusion of the Chinese. F. B. H. Pulse of the Westinghouse company was one of the Asiatic association delegation.

The delegation also called at the White House and presented a memorial to the president urging that the principle of "the open door" to the undeveloped markets of Eastern Asia should be preserved intact; also that all treaty rights with China guaranteed our citizens shall be protected.

SILVER ORE PROTECTION.

Senator Penrose Introduces a Bill to Levy a 25 Per Cent Duty.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 18.—(Special.)—Senator Penrose introduced a tariff bill in the senate today for the protection of the silver mining state. It provides for a duty of 25 per cent to be placed upon all silver imported into this country as ore or in unmanufactured form. If the foreign product can be barred out by this tax this country will come very near consuming the home production and thus advance the price of the white metal.

The senator also introduced a bill to give the recognition to non-commissioned officers and men of the Pennsylvania militia who responded to President Lincoln's call in 1863 to defend the state when Lee invaded Pennsylvania, but were never mustered into the service of the United States.

Representative Showalter introduced in the house a bill to pension G. W. Book of New Castle at $50 a month.

New Country Postmasters.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 18.—The following postmasters were appointed today: Pennsylvania—Culler, Butler county, Albert C. Irvine; Van Meter, Westmoreland county, D. C. Morrow. Ohio—Flint's Mill, Washington county, David C. Joy. West Virginia—Osceola, Randolph county, Abraham L. Dove.

MIXED GOVERNMENT FOR THE PHILIPPINES.

Commission Proceeding on Theory That Joint Rule by Americans and Natives Is Educational.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 18.—Provision for a permanent civil government and for much important legislation regarding the industrial development of the Philippines is embodied in the annual report of the Philippine commission.

It is declared that the Federal party spread like wildfire throughout the archipelago, and that there are few towns in any of the provinces which have not their Federal committees. The members of the party were most active and effective in inducing insurgent leaders to surrender. It is declared by the commission that:

"Outside of the five provinces named (Batangas, Cebu, Bohol, Samar and Mindoro) there is peace in the remainder of the archipelago. All insurrectos have surrendered, and, in most of the provinces, except among the lake Moros, it is entirely safe during the day for travelers unattended to go from one town to another. In other provinces recent war conditions and suffering and hardship from cattle pest and locust have developed ladronism; the people are friendly to the civil government and manifest no desire whatever for a continuance of the war, but only a desire for peace and protection."

It is declared that the theory upon which the commission is proceeding is, that the only possible method of instructing the Filipino people in methods of free institutions and self-government is to make a government partly of Americans and partly of Filipinos, with ultimate control in American hands for some time to come.

PEACE WITH ACHESON.

Friends of Pennsylvania Senators Will Meet the Congressman.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 18.—(Special.)—Information was received here today that the prediction made exclusively in The Gazette, that there would be a reconciliation between Senators Quay and Penrose and Representative Acheson, is about to be fulfilled. A conference is slated for some day this week between Mr. Acheson and a close friend of the senators with a view to the harmonizing of differences.

Mr. Acheson is to be accorded renomination to congress and is not to be molested in the management of the local politics of Washington county. In return Washington county is to send three organization men to the legislature and is to assist in electing a Beaver county Republican to the state senate. Beaver county Republicans are said to be willing to make this deal, and the only objection comes from the friends of State Senator Brown of Lawrence county, who desires Acheson's congressional seat. If he will acquiesce in the arrangement mentioned he is to be urged as a candidate for the nomination of lieutenant governor next year.

NEW MEXICO STATEHOOD.

Pennsylvania Interests Active in Forwarding the Cause.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 18.—(Special.)—The delegation here in the interest of the admission of New Mexico as a state, and including ex-Lieut. Gov. Watres and ex-State Senator Andrews of Pennsylvania, are working vigorously and are confident of success. The territory now has a population of 250,000, and the native-born Americans are in a majority of about 20,000.

There is said to be over $25,000,000 Pennsylvania capital invested in industries in that territory, and as a result the members of the Pennsylvania delegation are rallying to the support of the movement. Representatives Bates and Cassel are among the most active.

THE PENSION ROLL.

Veterans, Their Widows and Dependents Provided For.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 18.—The following pensions were granted today:

Pennsylvania—James H. Cloner, Lewistown, $8; Jerome T. Welmer, Harrisburg, $12; David Burns, Phoenixville, $6; Jesse Kuhn, Natrona, $12; Moses O. Taylor, Franklin, $8; Isiah Bell, Dent, $12; Daniel M. Hamblin, Spartensburg, $8; William L. McConnell, Belleville, $8. Katherine McQuade, Pittsburgh, $8; Margaret E. Plummer, Portage, $8.

Ohio—William R. Sprague, Cambridge, $8; Joshua C. Dickerson, Canal Dover, $10; Samuel T. Storer, New Concord, $17; Abraham Vernon, Stewartsville, $12; Oscar Evans, Jefferson, $17; Rebecca Elson, Bellaire, $8; Sarah F. Seeman, Morristown, $12.

West Virginia—Henry Felber, Wheeling, $10. Mildred J. Burdett, Mink, $12.

DEATH FOR ANARCHISTS.

Chairman Ray's Bill Aimed at Plotters Against Any Ruler.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 18.—Chairman Ray of the house committee on judiciary today introduced an anti-anarchy measure which probably will be the basis of legislation on that subject in the house.

It provides the death penalty for assaults on the president or other executive officers of the government or any interference with government officials. The death penalty also is provided for conspiracies in this country leading to the killing of a foreign king, emperor, president or other ruler.

Argument on the Maine Claims.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 18.—The Spanish treaty claims commission today heard arguments in support of and in opposition to a contention of government counsel that the commission has no jurisdiction under the Paris treaty over claims growing out of the sinking of the battleship Maine.

NORDICA FEELS SURE OF SUCCESS IN LITIGATION

Congress Will Pass on Indemnity of Ichabod Norton's Heirs.

IT WILL REACH $4,000,000

Contest Dates Back to Seizure of American Vessels in French Ports in 1810—Relationship to Wealthy Shipmaster.

After more than 75 years of litigation the indemnity claims of the heirs of Ichabod Norton are likely to be settled by the United States during the present session of congress. Vessels and cargoes belonging to the shipmaster were seized

Mme. Nordica.

by the French government in 1810, during its hostilities with England. Reimbursement in the sum of $4,000,000 is asked for this confiscation.

Mme. Nordica, the diva, is a grandniece of Norton and the principal contestant for the fortune. She declared yesterday that success was near at hand in the long struggle for recognition. Her attorney, former Speaker Thomas B. Reed, has assured her that favorable action will be taken during the present session of congress. Mme. Nordica sang in Pittsburgh last night. During the afternoon she talked freely on the case, while resting in her beautiful private car, Brunhilda, in the Union station yards.

"My relatives have been pressing these indemnity claims for many years," she said. "We have never been so confident of success as we are now. My father tried during his entire lifetime to get this great fortune, as did his brothers and other relations. The one obstacle has been to show our direct relationship to Ichabod Norton. We have now established a complete genealogy.

"Ichabod Norton was a merchant, and owned a large number of trading vessels. The coasted between England and France and traded in the West Indies. During the French and English hostilities congress passed an act establishing commercial non-intercourse with these belligerent powers. This was in 1810. France became incensed at some remonstrance of the American minister, Armstrong, and ordered the seizure of all American vessels then in French ports. These vessels were then sold.

"Some years later the French government paid the indemnity for these vessels to the United States. In the meantime Ichabod Norton died, and his relatives began to press the indemnity claims. They were never successful. They carried on the commercial business established by their wealthy relative, Ichabod Norton was a bachelor and lived in Martha's Vineyard.

"My sisters and cousins are looking after the indemnity interests. I am on the road all the time and have little opportunity to aid them. When I was at home this fall I took the matter up with them and we decided to make another effort for recognition at this session of congress. We secured the services of Thomas B. Reed and several prominent attorneys in Maine. At this time we established a direct lineage with Norton.

"There should be no doubt in the matter now. We have made affidavit to our relationship with Norton and with our petitions they will be presented to the congressional committee. I cannot tell what my share of the fortune will be. Whatever it is, however, it will not take me from my profession. I love my art. Nothing could ever induce me to forsake it."

Mme. Nordica took occasion yesterday to deny that she sings rag-time. She smiled as she spoke of the story from the west that she had. Not long ago she sang a darky ballad of Ethelbert Nevin's, "Mighty Lak a Rose." Someone read the title, she says, and jumped to the conclusion that it was a present day syncopation. "Far from being that," she says, "it is one of the most beautiful airs ever written."

CLANS GATHERING FOR A HOT FIGHT

TWENTY-THIRD WARD WILL BE STORM CENTER IN FEBRUARY.

Dr. W. D. O'Brien Will Oppose Thomas H. Thorn in His Effort for Re-Election to Select Council—Douglas Accepts Stalwart Nomination.

The Twenty-third ward will be a storm center of the councilmanic campaign of February. Opposition to the return of Thomas H. Thorn to select council is gaining strength daily. His supporters view with alarm the candidacy of Dr. W. D. O'Brien and the clans are gathering.

Dr. O'Brien is one of the most successful physicians in the city and has already proven his ability as a politician in contests with the machine. Three years ago he was a candidate for school director against two Flinn men and won handily at the primaries. At the polls he led his ticket by 135 votes. He has been a member of the school board for six years.

Mr. Thorn is held responsible for the turning over of the Monongahela river front from Brady street to Hazelwood, without compensation to the city, a few years ago. He is charged also with depriving his own ward of improvements for the purpose of bringing the administration of Major A. M. Brown into disrepute. In addition, he has championed every Flinn measure in select council and has been the spokesman of the senator in that branch. This has increased his unpopularity among the lovers of good government in the ward.

R. H. Douglas has opened his fight for select council against James M. Clark in the Twenty-first ward. He accepted the nomination tendered him by the stalwart Republican association of the ward yesterday. In his declaration of purpose, he says, he will oppose elevated roads in East End streets, but will favor any reasonable measure that will tend to relieve the present intolerable condition of street car traffic. He further pledges himself to oppose an increased millage in 1902. He cites the proposition to raise the levy as "an indication of the importance of eradicating Flinn and Flinnism from the management of the finances of the municipality." He concludes his letter to Robert McMillan, president of the association, as follows:

"We are in the last throes of a terrible struggle with a coterie of men who have enriched themselves for years at your expense, and with the hope of winning this battle in the interest of the people, I ask your cordial support and cooperation."

A Citizens' candidate for controller will not be nominated at the town meeting in Old City hall tomorrow night. The call will probably be left with a committee of 25, to be selected from the ranks of representative citizens of both parties. This committee will not only have the selection of a suitable candidate for controller to make, but will have supervision of the campaign for the Citizens' party.

Among the speakers for tomorrow night's meeting will be George W. Guthrie, Major A. M. Brown, W. J. Brennen, W. A. Woodward and J. J. Miller. Others may be added. There will probably be a number of redhot speeches on the floor.

The date for the Democratic city primaries will be fixed tomorrow afternoon at a meeting of the city committee in common council chamber. George S. Fleming yesterday declared in favor of John A. Staley to succeed Patrick Foley as chairman. Joseph Pringle has announced his withdrawal from the contest for the nomination of controller and has declared in favor of Mr. Larkin.

ARMY COMMISSIONS HELD UP.

Senate Committee Will Investigate Circumstances of Nomination.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 18.—The senate committee on military affairs today agreed to report favorably on all the army nominations before it except those to staff positions. The exceptions which were not passed upon were the nominations of Capt. William Crozier to be chief of the ordnance bureau with the rank of brigadier general; Col. George L. Gillespie, to be chief of engineers, and Gen. George B. Davis to be judge advocate general, and other nominations dependent upon those three.

It is said by members of the committee that the delay is only for the purpose of investigating the circumstances attending various nominations. In the case of Capt. Crozier there has been some criticism on the ground that other officers of superior rank are discriminated against by this nomination. There is a question connected with Col. Gillespie's nomination as to the time for which his tenure of office should continue, whether for four years only or permanently.

The senate today confirmed several hundred army promotions and several promotions in the navy. The list includes Brig. Gen. Lloyd Wheaton, to be major general; to be brigadier generals, Col. J. H. Smith, Seventeenth infantry; Frederick Funston, Kansas (brigadier general United States Volunteers); Col. J. M. Bell, Eighth cavalry, and Col. William H. Bisbee, Thirteenth infantry.

Raised Price of Brooms.

CHICAGO, Dec. 18.—The National Broom Manufacturers' association of the United States and Canada, in session here, decided today to advance the price of brooms. It was decided that the individual manufacturers should advance the price considerably at their own discretion, according to necessity.

Rockefeller Gives to Wellesley.

WELLESLEY, MASS., Dec. 18.—President Caroline Hazard of Wellesley college announced today that J. D. Rockefeller has offered that institution $150,000 for a dormitory and a central heating plant, provided an equal amount is added to the college endowment fund from other sources before commencement day, 1902.

A BATTLE WON IN CAMPAIGN AGAINST VICE

Allegheny Councils Voted Down License to Sell Beer at Balls.

MORE STARTLING TALES

Two Men Who Have Been Active in Mission Work in Lower Wards Give a Few Personal Experiences With Vice as It Exists in That City.

"What right has the city of Allegheny to issue liquor license?" asked William F. Trimble on the floor of select council yesterday afternoon. Mr. Trimble had just questioned a portion of an ordinance, fixing license fees. The section read "or every ball, at which liquor is sold, $30."

"Gentlemen," said Mr. Trimble, "we have heard recently that the laws are violated in this city, yet an ordinance is put before this body asking us to vote for a measure whereby we place ourselves on record as being a party to this illegal traffic. We are not here to replace the county courts, but to regulate city affairs. There is too much of this business going on now in the city, despite the efforts of the people to suppress its spread.

"Instead of passing this ordinance let us request the police department to do their duty, and refuse to issue a license for balls at which liquor is sold. And if they secure a license and sell liquor, it is still the duty of the police to arrest the offenders. I ask you to vote this portion of the ordinance down."

Charles Kirschler took the floor and said that it was not within the power of councils to say what amount a man should be assessed for a ball license, at which liquor is sold. It is a violation of the law and such it should be treated. The ordinance was killed.

Licenses have been issued for such affairs in the past by the police authorities.

Another Missionary Talks.

One after another the missionary workers in lower Allegheny contribute their quota to the great volume of revelation, the Pittsburgh Gazette is compiling. Archie J. Holman, treasurer of the Robinson Street Methodist Episcopal mission, has given six years of labor to the district.

Mr. Holman candidly says that nothing, so far written, has overdrawn the conditions in the neighborhood of Robinson, Corry, Kilbuck, Itasca and other streets in the First ward. Sin and degradation unbridled, unrebuked and unpunished have grown so bold that they no longer aim to hide as they did in past days. "It has come to be a business, a trade to which the children are apprenticed from infancy. We have tried to influence both boys and girls for good, but I am sorry to say with little effect."

"If there is any doubt as to the existence of speakeasies and other questionable resorts in the district, it would give me pleasure to relieve it," said Mr. Holman.

"Not so long ago I stood at the front door of our mission room and in a moment of idleness began to count the speakeasies and disorderly houses within range of my vision. You will scarcely believe it but there were 45. Nearly half a hundred houses occupied by daily transgressors of the law; all within a stone's throw of our little chapel. As a friend of mine observed one day in visiting the mission 'the district reeks' with vileness. One can almost feel it in the atmosphere."

Authorities Could Suppress Vice.

"Do you think the conditions existing in the neighborhood of your mission can be improved?" inquired The Gazette reporter of Mr. Holman.

"Most assuredly they can," was the reply, delivered earnestly and decidedly. "Though I do not imagine that sin and crime are to be wholly extirpated by any power of human kind, yet something can be accomplished, and that best by the city authorities. But, in all candor, it must be said we expect little aid from that source. There seems to be a general disposition to turn a blind eye to the wrong-doer in lower Allegheny. Indeed, there are occasions when I almost think the authorities approve of the conditions. I certainly have observed representatives of the city government act as if they were instructed to overlook a good deal more than they should. I have it on good authority that policemen have gone in and helped the proprietors of certain houses to clean up, lay carpets and the like after midnight. Perhaps they were off duty at the time, but they were in full uniform."

The Rev. Nolan H. Sanner of Perrysville and Woods Run avenues, who was formerly pastor of the Methodist Episcopal mission in Robinson street, says: "Conditions in Allegheny's lower wards were terrible three years ago, but they are much worse now. We used to have speakeasies and disorderly houses to deal with, but not in such numbers as exist now. There was little or no gambling, and it has all grown up recently. The authorities are largely to blame for it."

What is Ovaritis?

A dull, throbbing pain, accompanied by a sense of tenderness and heat low down in the side, with an occasional shooting pain, indicates inflammation.

On examination it will be found that the region of pain shows some swelling. This is the first stage of ovaritis, inflammation of the ovary. If the roof of your house leaks, my sister, you have it fixed at once; why not pay the same respect to your own body?

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BUSINESS LOT IN SECOND WARD SOLD FOR $50,000

Hugh Lynn Purchases the Property at No. 111 Smithfield Street.

ONE DEAL OF $250,000

Pittsburgh & Homestead Company Buys a $20,000 Lot in New Homestead—Good Residence Sale in Twentieth Ward.

W. A. Herron & Sons have sold through C. H. Wanner for the Tindle estate the property at No. 111 Smithfield street, Second ward, for a price approximating $50,000. The purchaser is Hugh Lynn, who, it is understood, bought for an investment. The lot has a frontage of 20 feet in Smithfield street with a depth of 70 feet with a strip 4½x200 feet running through to Second avenue and another L-shaped addition 15x20 feet, connecting the property with that of George Bennett. The property of Thomas McDivitt lies on the north and that of H. Shaler on the south of the lot purchased. The five-story brick building standing on the lot is now occupied by Samuel F. Haller's wholesale liquor store. The price paid for the property, $2,500 a front foot, is considered a good figure by brokers, but the actual value of the property is considerably enhanced by the additions to the lot proper.

Further information was received concerning the Garland-McCormick realty deal, a portion of which, the sale of the Mutual office building in Allegheny, was published yesterday morning, which shows that the total amount involved in the transaction was about $250,000, making it one of the largest deals recorded for some time. The original transfer, which led up to the deal just mentioned, was the sale by James C. McCormick, Jr., to Frank J. Possell of the property at the northeast corner of Second avenue and Chancery lane, First ward, for $6,000. The lot, which is improved with a six-story warehouse, is 70x80 feet. Shortly after purchasing the property Mr. Possell transferred it to John W. Garland, Robert Garland and Catherine G. Valley, under the name of the Garland Chain Company. The consideration mentioned in the deed is $125,000. In exchange for the Second avenue property it is understood that the Garlands conveyed to the McCormick interests, three properties. These are the Mutual office building, in Allegheny, which, according to the deed, was conveyed from John W. Garland to J. C. McCormick for $65,000; a residence property in Homewood avenue, near Wilkins avenue, Twenty-second ward, which is said to have been rated at $40,000, and another residence property in Baum street, near Vista street, Twentieth ward, said to be worth about $17,000. The deeds for the last two properties have not been recorded.

The Pittsburgh & Homestead Company has purchased from the estate of James H. Hays a plot of ground, 342x135 feet, in Eighth avenue, New Homestead, for $20,000. The sale was negotiated by the Real Estate Trust Company. The lot purchased is at the lower side of the company's plan of lots and was bought for the purpose of bringing Basic avenue to Eighth avenue. As soon as this is accomplished the New Homestead Street railway will be constructed upon it connecting with the lines of the United Traction Company in Eighth avenue. The plan of the Pittsburgh and Homestead Company was plotted about 18 months ago, and during the past summer the lots have been selling very rapidly and a large amount of building is now in progress.

Another Twentieth ward residence property has been sold for $18,250, the former owner being Henry C. Stiffler and the purchaser Louis C. Bihler. The lot, on which is erected a 12-room house, measures 50x128 feet in the north side of Baum street, near Fairmount street. The number of good residences sold during the past two months in the Nineteenth, Twentieth and Twenty-second wards and the prices paid, indicate that the East End property which is desirable for residence purposes is steadily increasing in value.

The plans for the adornment of L. C. Phipps' residence grounds in Wilkins avenue, Shadyside, have been completed by E. H. Bochman, landscape gardener, and it is expected the work of planting and grading will be finished before summer. The grounds comprise 14 acres, extending through to Forbes street, and will also have a long frontage in Beeler street. The scheme of beauty designed by Mr. Bochman is unlike any other in the city and will, when carried out, make the grounds, which occupy a commanding position on the ridge between Forbes street and Fifth avenue, one of the garden spots of Pittsburgh. Back of the house and stable, which are built of Pompeian brick in an original grove of oaks. An orchard has been left in another part of the grounds. In addition to the large lawns, set with rose shrubbery, there will be an artificial lake flocked with aquatic pets, and the most complete collection of roses which can be grown in this section of the country in front of the house is a cut stone terrace, and terrace walls are now being built in other parts of the grounds to add to the picturesque effect.

The Jerusalem Baptist church, colored, has purchased through its trustees, Benjamin P. Richardson, John Mitchell, George Butler, John Acey, John Thomas and Allen Murphy a lot, 25x90 feet, in the east side of Independence street, Thirty-fourth ward, for $450. The lot extends back to Greenleaf street. The former owner was Henry F. Behrhorst. The property was bought for a church site.

Architect H. Ed. Cornelius is preparing plans for the following buildings: Six seven-room brick houses for Mrs. John Clarke in Tioga street, Homewood, to cost $15,000; a store building for P. J. Flood in West Park, to cost $8,000; a residence for P. M. Miles at Coraopolis, to cost $3,500.

William Rainey sold to John Blackadore a lot, 25x130 feet, in the south side of Friendship avenue, near Penn avenue, Sixteenth ward, for $1,000. The lot is improved.

A. Z. Byers & Co. sold for Margaret A. Stanton to John Satter a buff brick residence of nine rooms and conveniences, with lot 35x100 feet, situated in Meade street, Wilkinsburg, for $4,600.

The deed was registered yesterday conveying from the Pittsburgh Bank for Savings to Andrew M. Moreland the property on the south side of Fourth avenue, near Market street, for $75,000. The lot is 21x82 feet and the property is now occupied by the Moreland Trust Company.

The deed was also registered conveying from Amanda Ida Morrow to W. E. Boyiston an irregular shaped lot with extreme dimensions 80x169 feet, in the south side of Wylie avenue, running through to Herron avenue, Thirteenth ward, for $13,000.

The deed was registered yesterday conveying from William D. George to William Metcalf, Jr., a Woodland road property, 204x206 feet, near Wilkins avenue, Twenty-second ward, for $21,500.

Another deed registered conveyed from Stephen H. Lloyd to Isaac Reese a property, 42x120 feet, in the south side of Marshand street, Twentieth ward, for $18,000.

D. C. Clapp sold to the Public Wash House and Bath association an improved lot, 31x100 feet, in the north side of Butler street, near Thirty-fifth street, Fifteenth ward, for $6,500.

John Ries sold Mary Lammert an improved lot 15x70 feet, in the west side of Erin street, Eleventh ward, for $1,050.

J. Collord White sold to Andrew McGregor a lot, 42x50 feet, in South Eighteenth street, near Quarry street, Twenty-seventh ward, for $100.

William C. West sold to George W. West a lot, 24x120 feet, in Center avenue, Thirteenth ward, for $2,600.

Prospects for a building boom in Braddock were never brighter than at present. The large increase in population has necessitated the erection of tenement houses and the growth in the volume of business has paved the way for improvements in commercial circles. Despite the cold weather the building trades are rushed with work and mechanics are in great demand to complete the many buildings under headway. Architects are preparing a number of plans for flats that are to be erected, as the announcement some time ago that rents were to be advanced has prompted several capitalists to invest their money in this style of houses and a large number of them will be erected during the coming spring and summer.

Transfers Recorded.

Birmingham K & A Traction Co to Wm J Patrick, Oct 1, '01, 31st wd, 54½x108, Lillian st ..... $ 1,400
Mt Oliver Incline Ry Co to James A Griffith, Nov 12, '01, 27th wd, lot.. 725
Maloy Frank B to Charlotte F Hofing, Dec 15, '01, 30th wd, 30x150, McKean st 2,400
Milligen Elmer S to Daniel H Wallace, Dec 15, '01, Wilkinsburg, 90x122, Wood st 3,800
Smith Wm S to Elmer S Milligan, Dec 13, '01, Wilkinsburg, 90x122, Wood st 34,650
Baum Jacob E to John W Martin, Nov 1, '01, Aspinwall, lot, Center ave 2,200
Yekel Wm to George Englert, Dec 14, '01, Knoxville, 168x232, Knox ave 2,000
Chiaiese Sam to Giovanni Russell, Oct 18, '01, 21st wd, 22xRF, Orange st .. 1,475
Pgh Realty Co to Hannah M Dwyer, Dec 10, '01, Sheraden, lot, Lynwood ave 750
George Wm D to Clinton I & S Co, Dec 9, '01, 34th wd, 44½x197, W Carson st 161,105
Brown W Harry to Wm D George, Nov 18, '01, 34th wd, 60x104, Carson st.. 87,135
McCook Willis F to Samuel S Brown, Nov 20, '01, 2d wd, 25x80, Wood st.. 90,000
Buckley J D to Fred F Fournier, Apr 30, '01, 36th wd, 25x80, Walnut st.. 2,500
Posey Geo W to Geo E Scheffel, Dec 5, '01, 10th wd, Ally, 38x145, Maple st.. 900
Davis Elizabeth J to Wm A Diamond, Dec 14, '01, Oakmont, 25x114, B st... 900
Bolster Louis to Hamilton Jenkinson, Dec 4, '01, 13th wd, Ally, 24x100, Hamilton st 950
Zimmerman Louis to Louis Bolster, Oct 14, '01, 13th wd, Ally, 24x100, Hamilton st 800
Gleason F S et al to John N Hartman, Oct 31, '01, 22d wd, 50x100, Willard ave 12,000
Beggs Thomas to James W Turner, Nov 7, '01, 20th wd, 20x100, Edmund st.. 3,250
Chadwick Land Impt Co to Geo J Keeton, Oct 25, '01, 21st wd, 25x100, Lonsington av 3,500
Johnston Calvin to Geo Giebler, July 6, '01, Penn twp, lot, Frankstown road.. 800
Moore Clarence P to Wm J Becker, Oct 26, '01, Versailles twp, 50x155, Woodlawn ave 1,000
Thornburg Land Co to Barbara E Swan, Nov 6, '01, Robinson twp, 50x125, Princeton ave 800
Gay Earl P to Leander C Reed, Nov 25, '01, Wilkinsburg, 16x120, Ramsey st 540
Reed Leander C to Alfred E Corns, Nov 27, '01, Wilkinsburg, 28x120, Ramsey st 840
Scott Wm L to Henry Neuner, Oct 1, '01, 11th wd, Ally, 25x120, Fleming ave 1,000
Kredel Annie to Clifford C Hern, Dec 11, '01, 16th wd, 24x100, Main st..... 3,300
Joseph Louis to Geo Welzniel, Dec 14, '01, Wilkinsburg, 26x120, Savannah ave 1,250
Singer Louis to John B Striebig, Dec 11, '01, Stowe twp, lot, Pine Hollow road 1,850
Armenia Ins Co to James Dailey, Nov 15, '01, 2d wd, Ally, 17x67, Beuna Vista st 4,000
Costello Anna M to August Flick, Dec 11, '01, Avalon, 70x196, Fish ave..... 2,100
Trautman Peter to Henry Trautman, Dec 3, '01, 8th wd, McKeesport, 20x350, Fifth ave 1,000
Lyon John M to Robert Mortland, Oct 19, '01, 10th wd, Ally, 50x125, Linden ave 1,900
Ende Oswald to George Harmuth, Dec 2, '01, Scott twp, 30x35, Carothers ave 650
Ashbaugh Wm to J Luther Long, Dec 6, '01, Swissvale, 25x110, Roslyn st.. 3,800
Fair Haven Land Co to Edward A Provost, Nov 13, '01, Baldwin twp, 28x130, Fair Haven ave 1,800
Same to John Kunkel, Oct 29, '01, Baldwin twp, 50x201, Twp Line 650
Keystone State B & L A to George W Kirk, Nov 26, '01, Knoxville, 25x100, S Charles st 10,000
Poland John S to Joseph Poland, June 24, '01, 14th wd, lot, Craig st.. 1,500
Brooks John J to Wm Baxter, Dec 4, '01, 21st wd, 25x99, Race st 1,000
Siegert Julius jr to Elizabeth Foerster, Nov 26, '01, 11th wd, Ally, 30x100, Atlantic ave 1,100
Eckenrod John G to Norman Klingensmith, Dec 2, '01, Tarentum, 40x120, Third st 900

Mortgages Recorded.

*Hamilton Alfred R to C B Aylesworth, Dec 12, '01 ..... $ 1,800
Morrow Amanda I to W E Boyiston, Dec 17, '01 1,000
Stagowski Geo to W W Blackburn, Dec 16, '01 900
*Pellansbee Bros Co to F F Nicola, Dec 17, '01 140,000
Gordon Julia A et al to J Carey, Dec 16, '01 500
*Cowan John W to J Wohlwend, Dec 14, '01 400
Richter Jas F to R C Whitford, Nov 22, '01 600
Connelly Patrick to J J Debold, Dec 17, '01 750
Cook Thos R to M Palmer, Dec 9, '01.. 3,500
*Harmonth Geo et ux to O Ende, Dec 2, '01 250
Curtis Jas et ux to Citizens Bank, Dec 10, '01 1,200
Baker David J to Life Prot S & L A, Dec 17, '01 850
Bebrowski Jacob to Kordecki B & L A, Dec 17, '01 600
Klehn Annie to Allegheny City P B & L A, Nov 30, '01 400
Carr Jos A to Keystone State B & L A, Nov 16, '01 800
Ridge Peter et ux to same, Dec 14, '01. 1,600
Boyle Mary to Marion B & L A, Dec 17, '01 600
Carroll Anthony to Prospect B & L A, Dec 12, '01 1,000
Proctor Edward A to Fair Haven B & L A, Nov 30, '01 1,700
Roberts Jas E to Columbus B & L A, Nov 28, '01 1,000
Wilson Wm S et ux to Standard B & L A, Dec 17, '01 2,400
Weinzierl Geo to New American B & L A, Dec 17, '01 800
*Trustees Sixth Pres Ch Pgh to T Wightman, Nov 20, '01 14,000
Jenkins John to J G Kelly, Dec 13, '01. 2,000
Murray Mary A to L S Owen, Dec 9, '01 1,500
Vanhirk Wm G to A U Stewart, Dec 16, '01 2,200
Coggins M O to E Bragdon, Dec 12, '01 6,000
*Foster David B to W C Anderson, Dec 17, '01 4,500
Bottroff Thos W to H Gourman, Dec 18, '01 1,200
Steengl Frank to South 12th St B & L A, Dec 16, '01 1,500
*Rose Mary A to A T Stevenson, Dec 14, '01 600
*Same to same, Dec 13, '01..... 1,000
Beahrman H D to Pgh Trust Co, Dec 18, '01 3,000
Stevenson Amos T to J W Kinnear, Dec 18, '01 1,600
Chappell Harry to L F Falck, Nov 15, '01 2,500
*McDermott Hugh to L M Plummer, Dec 16, '01 3,300
*Rotallo Dominico to G Franz, Nov 19, '01 700
Schneider Jacob et ux to M Schaffner, Dec 18, '01 800
Olszenski Mike et ux to Braddock T Co, Oct 1, '01 400

*Purchase money.

PECULIAR EXPLOSION.

Candle Flame Melted Gas Pipe and Caused Fire.

By an explosion of gas Mrs. Kate Ventner and a woman visitor were almost suffocated on Tuesday evening, but were rescued by neighbors in time. The Ventner house is No. 1327 Juniata street, Allegheny.

Mrs. Ventner's son William, aged 24, is a mechanic. He had fitted up a shop in the cellar. Called to go on an errand he left a candle burning. The candle melted a lead gaspipe and the gas ignited.

The floor of the room was torn up and the windows were shattered. Smoke filled the room in which the women were, and the neighbors, brought by the sound of the explosion, found them on the floor. They were carried across the street to the office of a doctor. They had partially recovered from the shock yesterday morning. The flames caused $200 damage before they were extinguished by the fire department.

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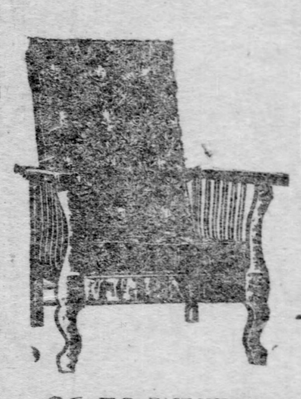

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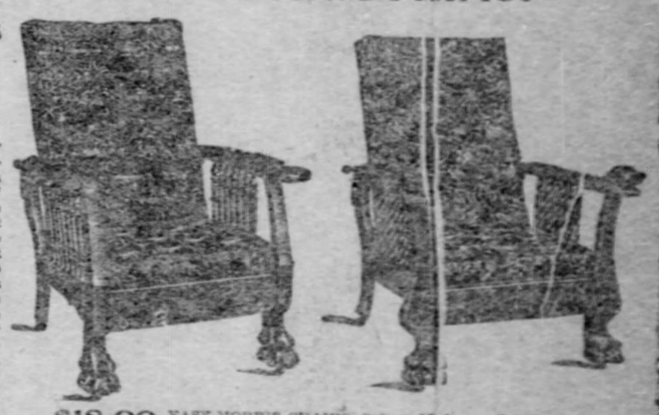

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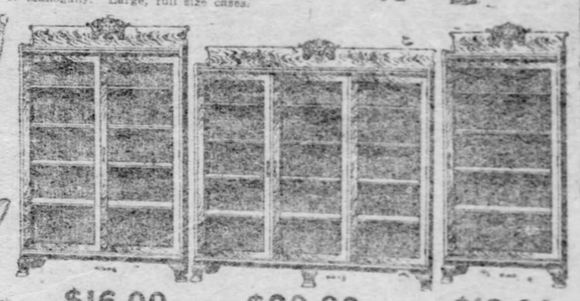

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Ban Johnson Failed to Get Here

BAN JOHNSON DID NOT STOP IN THIS CITY

There Was a Report that the American Leader Was Here on Business.

ALL EYES ON THE EAST

Pittsburghers Will Watch for the Result of the Court Battle Between Freedman and Spalding—Players Alert and Guarding Their Interests.

Quite a stir was caused in local baseball circles yesterday by a report that Ban Johnson, who is believed to be on his way east to consult with A. G. Spalding on the best way to rid the game of Andy Freedman, had stopped off here for the purpose of holding a consultation with President Dreyfuss of the local club, who seems to hold the key to the baseball situation.

A careful search failed to produce either the American leader or any tidings of him in or about the local hotels. When President Dreyfuss was asked if he knew of any reason for such a report, he quickly replied: "Johnson is not here. I know he is in Cleveland." The fact that Mr. Dreyfuss knew the exact whereabouts of the American leader led to a suspicion that there must be something doing, but the local man at once closed up as tight as a clam and would not say another word. That there is an understanding between the Spalding faction of the league and the American leader there is hardly a doubt, but just what it is will not be made known until that side is good and ready.

The busiest man in Pittsburgh yesterday was Harry Pulliam, who was packing trunks and valises preparatory to moving to his old Kentucky home for a two months' rest and vacation. This is a trip that the Pirate's secretary has been building on for nearly two years. He intended making it last year, but the trouble among the owners of the Pittsburgh club kept him here all winter. He was afraid that the flare-up in New York last week was going to put a veto on his trip, but he managed to get through all right and feels that he is safe in making the journey. This indicates that the Pittsburgh people are not afraid of the outcome of the squabble and believe that in a short time peace will be restored among the club owners. The local officials will look eagerly toward the east today for the outcome of the injunction proceedings instituted by Andrew Freedman against A. G. Spalding to restrain him from acting as president of the league. Neither Mr. Dreyfuss or Mr. Pulliam cared to venture an opinion yesterday on its possible outcome. They claim the National league is simply a voluntary partnership and not a corporation, and that Freedman's suit started on a wrong basis. Both have the greatest faith in Mr. Spalding, and even though the New York court should sustain Freedman, that Mr. Spalding will be in a position to follow out his own ideas regarding the league.

That the players are looking out for their own interests and are closely watching the league squabble, is shown by the following telegram from Kansas City:

Secretary Gear of the Players' Protective association and Charles "Kid" Nichols, the rival Kansas City magnates, held a long conference today upon the former Boston player's return from the east, and at the conclusion Secretary Gear announced that he would carry his intention of issuing a circular letter to the members of the Players' Protective association into immediate execution. He will begin work on the statement at once, and it will be sent out within the next few days. It will be in the nature of a warning to the men to make the union a still stronger organization and put it in a better position to cope with the changes in baseball which are certain to materialize within the next few months. With A. G. Spalding at the head of the National league, peace between the major league organizations is in sight. It is known that both Johnson and Spalding favor a compromise before the next playing season begins. With such conditions a cut in salaries is certain, and unless the players stand firm in a solid body they may not be able to protect their interests. All these points and the recent developments will be touched upon, including Brush's proposed trust.

"We don't wish to bulldoze," said Gear, "but as Spalding is anxious to fully recognize the association, we should make a strong appearance. Many players have let their dues lapse. I shall urge all to pay up and will ask for suggestions as to how we should proceed in light of recent developments."

WALCOTT THE WINNER.

Rube Ferns Was Badly Battered, and Only Lasted Five Rounds—Referee Stopped the Fight.

BUFFALO, N. Y., Dec. 18.—Rube Ferns, the welterweight champion, went down to defeat at the hands of Joe Walcott, the Barbados black, in five rounds in the arena of the International club house at Ft. Erie tonight. Ferns was terribly punished with terrific body blows and right and left swings to the head. To save Ferns from being completely knocked out Referee E. H. McBride stopped the bout and awarded the decision to Walcott.

In the fifth and last round Walcott sent Ferns to the boards on two occasions, and the Rube twice took the count. When he arose the second time he was in a weakened condition. The fight while it lasted was the fastest and fiercest fought in the new club house. Ferns landed some terrific blows on Walcott's stomach, but the Boston fighter was in the pink of condition and laughed at Ferns' efforts. Ferns began to weaken in the third round, and his admirers saw the beginning of the end.

In the fourth round both went to the floor in a clinch and Walcott assisted Ferns to arise. Hardly had the two renewed hostilities before Walcott almost sent the Rube through the ropes. He crawled on his hands and knees to the ropes and gained his feet. He fought gamely and desperately. Walcott went at him with vicious blows and had Ferns almost out when Referee McBride interfered.

The men met at 142 pounds and the bout was scheduled for 20 rounds. Jack Manley and Curley Supplies handled Ferns and Kid McFarland and others looked after the new welterweight champion.

The preliminary bout between Hiram Goldfinch and Buffalo and Mike Ward of Canada developed into a slugging match and the men were stopped by the police. The bout was declared a draw.

MUST QUIT THE RING.

Young Griffo Has Heart Trouble That Is Serious.

CHICAGO, Dec. 18.—Albert Griffith, well known in the ring scoring circles as "Young Griffo," a lightweight pugilist, has been forced to quit the ring because of a valvular affection of the heart, which may bring death to him in the ring at any time. Late today Dr. McGee, physician for the Olympic Athletic club, examined Griffo and because of this weakness refused to allow him to enter a match for which he was scheduled tonight.

No Action in Reiff Case.

LONDON, Dec. 18.—The stewards of the Jockey club deny the report circulated in the United States that at their meeting yesterday it was decided that Jimmy Reiff, the American jockey whose license was revoked in October last, is entitled to apply for a license in 1902. No action, it is said, in Reiff was taken at the meeting.

THE WUP SEVEN DEFEATED AGAIN

PLAYED GOOD HOCKEY, BUT THERE WAS A LACK OF TEAM WORK.

The High School Boys Scored a Neat Victory Interscholastic Players Preparing for Yale—Pittsburgh Is to Have Another Star Hockey Team.

Interscholastic League Standing.

	Won.	Lost.	Per.	Goals.
Shadyside	2	1	.667	5
High School	2	1	.667	4
East Liberty	2	1	.667	4
W. U. P.	0	3	.000	4 9

The first meeting of the interscholastic season between the Pittsburgh high school and the W. U. P. hockey sevens resulted in a victory for the former by a score of 3 to 0 yesterday afternoon. As in every game which the Wups have played and lost this season, they were deficient in team work, but did well individually.

The high school boys played strong hockey and were right there with the team work. Two of the goals were scored in the first half. They were all the result of lively skirmishing in front of the net and did not offer any brilliant shooting or passing. Smith scored the first tally and shortly afterward Patterson made a count.

The score in the second half was made by Patterson. Both of the goalkeepers played good games, and some very pretty stops were made. The score and line-up:

P. H. S.—3.		W. U. P.—0.
Laughlin	Goal	McTeady
Youngson	Point	McKenna
Booth	Cover point	Edmundson
Patterson	Center	Phillips
Smith	Forward	McLain
Crookston	Left wing	Miller
Reisfor	Right wing	McMurray

Goals—Patterson 2, Smith 1. Referee—Taylor of Barnes. Goal judges—Hammount and Booth. Time of halves—15 minutes.

There is much activity and strenuous competition among the interscholastic skaters at present over the team of local school boys which will meet Yale college when the great skaters who wear the blue make their visit here the first of January. This will be the first game ever played in Pittsburgh between a local interscholastic seven and any of the star visiting teams, and the honor of playing on the Smoky City seven or even sitting on the bench as a sub, is naturally much prized.

Will McCready, the president of the Interscholastic league, has the task of selecting the team. The makeup is not yet ready for announcement. The interscholastic league, George Moore, Jack Harner, Lady Keni, W. J. Baker, Boomerack, Laughlin, Lady Belle, Elliot Dillon, Bud Harris, Bee, 100; Lady Like, Chaminade, Insolence, Mae Miller, Buzz, 105.

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THE WESTERN LEAGUE.

President Whitfield Tells About His Plans.

KANSAS CITY, Dec. 18.—James Whitfield, president of the Western league, returned today from New York, where he attended the National league meeting, and also from Milwaukee, where he concluded a deal for the Milwaukee American league baseball park.

"The question as to who will get the Milwaukee franchise," said Mr. Whitfield, "is still unsettled, being vested in the league at present. During my trip to Milwaukee, however, I was waited on by some Milwaukee people, Mr. Cross, now of Kellner, who want the franchise. The application will not be acted upon until the annual meeting of the Western league, which is to take place here the second Tuesday in January. There probably will be a meeting of the National Association of Minor leagues here at the same time, as the association is desirous of annexing the California league and other baseball leagues in the southwest."

SHAKE-UP AT PENN.

Old Officers Re-Elected—New Football Committees Chosen.

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 18.—The newly elected board of directors of the Athletic Association of the University of Pennsylvania met today and organized by the election of officers and the appointment of several committees. All the old officers of the board were re-elected. The principal interest in the organization of the board was in the personnel of the football committee, which was announced as follows: C. S. W. Packard, L. DeP. Vail, Samuel Crowther, Jr., I. A. Pennypacker and W. Gardiner.

Mr. Packard was elected chairman of the committee to succeed John C. Bell, who was defeated for re-election of the board last week by Mr. Vail. The selection of a head football coach has been deferred until January 6. Among those spoken of for the position are Carl Williams, John Minds and J. C. McCracken, former well-known members of Pennsylvania teams.

THE LADIES' BENCH SHOW.

Pennsylvania Dogs Carried Off Many Prizes.

NEW YORK, Dec. 18.—The first bench show of the Ladies' Kennel Association of America was begun at Madison Square garden today. Most of the dogs entered arrived at the garden last night or early this morning, and when the doors opened there were few vacant kennels.

Unusual interest in the show was aroused by the benching of new dogs from England in the bulldog, collie and terrier classes. There was a strong lot of fox terriers present, including English and American champions. The other classes were well represented, especially the collies, setters and spaniels.

Nearly all the winners were local or Pennsylvania dogs. Some, however, were from West Virginia, New England and Delaware.

THE ASSOCIATION GAME.

H. L. A. C. and McDonald Teams Will Meet.

The game of association football between H. L. A. C. and McDonald, that was to have occurred on Saturday at Soelwoss park, Homestead, but which was postponed owing to the fact that it rained, will be played Saturday next. The line-up of both teams will be changed as follows:

H. L. A. C.		McDonald.
F. Chambers	Goal	Gardner
G. Chambers	Fullback	Davidson
Dyer	Fullback	Weldon
Tinley	Left half	A. Smith
Watkins	Center	Dosie
L. Chambers	Right half	Cook
Poma	Left wing	McVicker
Brooks	Left wing	Victor
Clark	Center	McCoul
Oliver	Right wing	Cooke
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Only One Public Choice Could Land the Money for the Talent.

TRACK WAS IN FINE SHAPE

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NEW ORLEANS, LA., Dec. 18.—Missile was the only winning favorite today, but with the exception of Arak, only short prices were laid against the other winners. Henry Bert, favorite in the fourth race, ran out three furlongs in his preliminary. Weather clear and cool; track fast.

First race, selling, 1 mile and 70 yards—Arak, 99, L. Smith, 10 to 1, won; W. B. Gates, 106, Coburn, 9 to 2, second; Deponan, 102, Otis, 13 to 5, third. Time, 1:45¼. Little Elkin, Annie Thompson, John Grigsby, Waterhouse, El Ghon, Van Hoorebeke and Gray Daily also ran.

Second race, selling, 5½ furlongs—Missile, 96, L. Smith, 4 to 5, won; Lingo, 100, Rice, 5 to 2, second; The Way, 96, Hope, 9 to 1, third. Time, 1:28. Santa Teresa, The Widow, Lady Clarik, Kentucky Muddle and Silver Chimes also ran.

Third race, steeplechase, handicap, short course—Golden Link, 139, J. Weber, 6 to 1, won; Bristol, 145, Slater, 16 to 5, second; Dagmar, 130, Bartley, 25 to 1, third. Time, 3:14¼. Corilio, Divertisement, Chiffon, Manheim and Oracle also ran.

Fourth race, 1 mile—Andes, 99, Otis, 3 to 1, won; Henry Bert, 105, Weir, 8 to 5, second; Nitrate, 98, Reads, 8 to 1, third. Time, 1:40½. Schnell Laufer, B. G. Fox and Barbara Freitchie also ran.

Fifth race, selling, 1⅛ miles—Admetus, 97, T. Deane, 5 to 2, won; Judge Steadman, 106, Dominick, 11 to 5, second; Deloraine, 95, Bullman, 12 to 1, third. Time, 2:51. Philma Paxton and Hija also ran.

Sixth race, 6 furlongs—Fleuron, 106, Coburn, 2 to 1, won; Pyrrho, 92, Meade, 10 to 1, second; If You Dare, 104, T. Deane, 3 to 2, third. Time, 1:13⅘. Royal Sterling, George J. Monroe Back, Frank Kenny, Barney Saal and Ortrud also ran.

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NEWS OF THE RIVERS.

[SPECIAL TELEGRAM TO THE GAZETTE.]

CINCINNATI, Dec. 18.—(Special.)—The towboats Flint and Charles Brown arrived this morning from Pittsburgh. The former returned up from Parkersburg, while the latter went through to Louisville. The Ed Roberts, from the Falls City, returned with a tow of coalboats this evening. The Florence Marmet arrived from the Kanawha this morning with a tow of coal. Several other Kanawha towboats are due in tomorrow. The river has been rising slowly today and will come to a stand tomorrow at a stage of about 39 feet. The weather has grown colder while a light snow has fallen during the day. The Lizzie Bay arrived this morning, one day late, from Pomeroy, and will lay over until Friday. The Bonanza from the same place is late, but is expected in tonight. The Sunshine will not leave for Memphis until Saturday. She was to have left this evening, but storms prevented her arrival. Capt. Jim Mace of the Faille broke one of his legs by falling into a barge at Ashland, Ky., this morning. He is a prominent man of this city, and was brought home by rail. Stage at 6 p. m., 33.4 feet.

LOUISVILLE—River rising; canal, 12.6 feet; falls, 10.3 feet; foot of locks, 31.4 feet. Business good. Weather clear and cold. The canal will close tonight. All boats will have to use the falls up stream and down until there is a 12-foot pitch stage in the canal. Introduced by a falling river. Two immense log rafts and a big lot of loose logs passed here this morning early. They broke loose from some point above. Sunshine passed up for Memphis at 10 a. m. Capt. Duffy sold the towboat J. T. Duff, Jr., to the Ayer-Lord Tie Company of Chicago; terms private. She left here for Ohio, Beaver and Pittsburgh this morning with three barges of lumber. She leaves two here and takes the other to Cincinnati. J. R. Finley arrived from Cairo at noon. She will go to Cincinnati to take 200 coalboats to New Orleans. Oakland and tow due down bound for New Orleans. J. C. Cole came down this afternoon looking after runaway coal and loose logs. It takes 18 more inches of water in the canal to close it. Capt. Max Sebolt arrived this morning from Cairo.

EVANSVILLE—The river marks 17 feet and rising. Cloudy. New South down this afternoon.

POINT PLEASANT—River 35 feet 3 inches and falling. Weather partly cloudy and cold. Down, Valiant, Henry M. Stanley and Keystone State.

STEUBENVILLE—River 29 feet and rising. Weather clear and cold.

MORGANTOWN—River 8 feet 10 inches and falling. Weather clear and cold.

OIL CITY—River 6 feet 7 inches and falling. Weather clear.

GREENSBORO—River 9 feet 6 inches and falling. Weather fair and cold. Cherry down Thursday; Wonder up.

MARIETTA—River 27.4 feet and falling. John Moren down, noon; Kanawha down, 2 p. m. Greenwood up, 3 p. m. Sam Brown down, 4 p. m.

WHEELING—River 23 feet 10 inches and falling. Clear and cold. Departed, Kanawha, Charleston, 6 a. m.; Ben Hur, Pittsburgh, 2 p. m.

GALLIPOLIS—River 37 feet and stationary. Weather clear and cold.

PARKERSBURG—River 28 feet 10 inches and falling. Weather clear and cold. Departed, last night, Weather clear and very cold. Up, Greenwood for Pittsburgh, 1 p. m. Down, Kanawha for Charleston, 3 p. m.; Oneida left for Cincinnati, 5 p. m., and Louise arrived from Creston, 7 p. m.

WARREN—River 6 feet 8 inches. Cloudy and cold.

ST. LOUIS, Dec. 18.—Water 3-10 of a foot below low water mark and falling; weather milder and stormy. The river is well covered with floating ice, but the ferry boats continue to plow through it. The funeral of Mark Aberg, late third clerk of the Bald Eagle, was held on Friday. He was drowned at Paducah Sunday. The Mississippi and Ohio River Pilots society will shortly move into new quarters at 109 North Fourth street.

MEMPHIS, TENN.—River 6.3 feet 6.3 on the gauge, a rise of two feet in the past 24 hours; the City of Pittsburg, having been delayed by bad weather and business, arrived this evening from St. Louis, with 900 tons merchandise, 50 cabin passengers. She returns tomorrow evening. The new Lee line steamer Sadie Lee, recently built at Howard's, Jeffersonville, Ind., will put on a regular packet line between Memphis and Fulton trade, leaving on her first trip Tuesday, December 24. William Arste of the St. Louis Waterways Journal, was here today and left for New Orleans.

PADUCAH, KY.—River 17.5 feet and rising, cloudy and warmer, with snow; the Dick Fowler left for Cairo; the Sadie Lee is due to pass for Memphis; the Hudson is due from Cincinnati for New Orleans; the John S. Hopkins was in from Louisville; the H. W. Buttorff left for Nashville; the Kenton arrived with coal; the Hudson passed down this afternoon for Clyde today for Tennessee river; the Henry Harley is undergoing repairs here and leaves as soon as they are completed for Cumberland river; there is now over half a million dollars' worth of floating property in winter quarters here.

CAIRO, ILL.—The river marks 18.1 feet on the gauge tonight, a rise of two feet during the past twenty-four hours. The ice running slowly out of the Mississippi, and below here the Mississippi is clear of ice, but is very wide. The Harry Brown arrived from Louisville at 1 p. m. with 19 barges of rails for Birdspoint and a barge of wire for Memphis. She returned tonight. Capt. John Woodrum of Paducah has chartered the towboat Margaret.

WENT IN THE ICE.

Only a Few Towboats Start for the South With Coal.

Ice commenced running out of the Allegheny river yesterday, it being the first of the season. If the weather continues cold it will work hardship for the towboats. Towboat men report it very hard to handle when ice is running. The ice, however, is not very thick and warmer weather is predicted.

The movement of coal was started yesterday, but few towboats got away on account of the pilots' strike. The towboat Cruiser will take the Q towboats, the Swissvale and Stevens with 20 coalboats, Tornado 10 coalboats, Volunteer 10 coalboats from Bellaire. The O. W. Thomas, owned by the Peoples Coal Company, will leave 10 boats from Bellaire. The towboats Oakland, R. Williams, John A. Wood, Harry Brown and W. W. O'Neil are expected to go south from New Louisville. The Oakland will get away from Louisville for Ohio river today. She is owned by the Peoples Company.

Arrivals.

Queen City, Sanford, Cincinnati.
Edgar Cherry, Reno, Morgantown.

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L. C. Woodward, Morgantown, 3 p. m.
Rose Hite, Brownsville, 4 p. m.

It is a singular fact that all big rises come on Sunday in Pittsburgh.

Andrew Young, resigned as mate of the towboat Little Fred. C. Roberts succeeded him.

The Morgantown packets did a rushing business yesterday, the freight offerings being very heavy.

W. C. Jutte has returned from Atlantic City, but he will rest at his home for the present.

The river yesterday at St. Louis was filled from bank to bank with large blocks of floating ice, varying from two to five inches in thickness.

The new towboat Margaret is regarded by rivermen as being one of the trimmest little boats in the Pittsburgh harbor. It is owned by the Rodgers Sand Company.

It is reported that 78 coalboats and 26 barges have been sunk and stuck at points along the Ohio river since navigation opened this season. Some of this coal was recovered.

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Capt. Samuel Spencer, who has been in Pittsburgh for several weeks waiting for a settlement of the pilots' strike, left for home last night on the steamer Queen City. He lives at Belpre, O.

A public hearing will be held in the town hall at Mingo Junction, December 20, at 12:30 p. m., at which plans of the proposed bridge to span the Ohio river at that place will be on exhibition.

The steamer Queen City, leaving Pittsburgh January 28, will connect at Cincinnati February 1 with the John K. Speed or New South, leaving for New Orleans with a large number of Mardi Gras passengers.

The pool boats are washing empties into the pools of the Monongahela. At one time this week 180 empties were held in the landing at the Smithfield street bridge. Many of these carried away by the flood were caught and returned.

The steamers Lorena and Greenwood will arrive tonight or early tomorrow morning. They are bringing good trips of poultry. The packets which will arrive here next Monday are expected to bring large consignments for the Christmas tide.

The Iron City Sand Company expects to let a contract today for the construction of a double digger for that company. It will be known as the "Iron City," and will, most probably, will be built by the James Rees & Son's Company.

Pilots "shooting the rapids" during the coming freshet should remember that it is no longer necessary to head out and turn below Wave Rock, but run straight ahead, keeping to the right of the new dike, which is about 300 yards below the Pennsylvania bridge.

The towboat Honeycreek, owned by the Rydd Coal Company, which is making her maiden trip to Pittsburgh, left Wheeling late yesterday afternoon with a tow of empties. The boat was held there for over a day on account of high water, the smokestacks of the boat being too high to enable the boat to get under the bridge. Her chimneys will be altered when she arrives at Pittsburgh. She is due here late tonight.

Too Cold for Shooting.

KANSAS CITY, MO., Dec. 18.—The midwinter shooting tournament, which was scheduled to begin at the Blue River shooting park here today with a match between Pete Heikes of Dayton, O., and J. A. R. Elliott of this city, was postponed on account of the illness of Heikes, and because of the inclement weather which prevails here. The tournament will open tomorrow. The Omaha-Kansas City team shoot will be given Saturday.

TRUSTEE'S SALE.

JOHN N. DUNN, Attorney-at-Law, Bakewell Building.

TRUSTEE'S SALE

OF VALUABLE REAL ESTATE.

By virtue of an order of the orphans' court of Allegheny county, at No. 1 June term, 1901, the undersigned trustee will expose at public sale on the premises, on

Thursday, December 26, 1901,

at 10 o'clock a. m., the following real estate, viz.:

All that certain lot or piece of ground situate in the Sixth ward of the city of Pittsburgh, county of Allegheny and state of Pennsylvania, bounded and described as follows, viz.:

Beginning on the southerly side of Gibbon st. at the distance of 231 ft. 3¾ inches westerly from Stevenson st., and at corner of property formerly of David Greer, thence northerly 90 ft. 3¾ inches to a 20 ft. alley laid out dividing two lots, Nos. 42 and 43, in plan of executors of George Stevenson, deceased, as recorded in Deed Book, vol. 42, page 106; thence easterly along said alley 22 ft. 7½ inches, more or less, to a point thence northerly across a 5-foot strip, and then by line dividing lots Nos. 10 and 11, in plan of A. H. McClelland, Jeffersonville, Ind., adjoining said lots a distance of 96 ft. 3¾ inches to Gibbon st.; and thence by same westerly 22 ft. 7½ inches to place of beginning, having erected thereon in fee simple a two-story frame

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2 150 H. P. National water tube boilers.
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NO need for father's help to give SWEET CASTOR. 820h

SAME effect produced by sweet castor. 10 cents. 820h

THE only genuine SWEET CASTOR. Morris', 10 cents. 820h

LOST.

AN OUNCE OF PREVENTION Better than a pound of cure. Before the sun and weather cracks, warps or ruins woodwork, or starts the mortar to run from brick work, have them painted. BYRNE, 634 Fifth ave. 1017h

LOST—Time and money with nasty printed cards. Call on Knapp, the printer, and get satisfaction. He's the best printer in town. Find him at 3521 Butler st. Both phones. 1016h

LOST—Feathers Renovated. Old Ticks laundered. Beds made into pillows. Allegheny Carpet and Feather Renovating Co., 823 Pennsylvania ave. 126h

Cleaning. Dyeing. SIMPSON CLEANING & DYEING CO. 614 Penn Ave. Repairing. Pressing. 1215h

ROOM FOR ONE MORE. Usually there's not, but at this season, if you want good painting done send for BYRNE, the painter, 634 Fifth ave. 1017h

LOST—An opportunity if you fail to see those convenient small brick houses on Clarissa st., near Herron park. 126h

LOST—The engine to get good painting done if you fail to get P. J. Byrne, the painter, to give you an estimate. 634 Fifth ave. 1017h

MAMMA can sleep when baby takes SWEET CASTOR. 820h

FOR adults as well as children. SWEET CASTOR. 820h

SORE, tired feet fitted in comfortably-fitting, honestly made shoes, in all kinds of leathers, at reasonable prices, by CAIN, 503 Market st. 1010hb

DANCING ACADEMIES.

TO get old and new carpets cheap. You must get to the right place. Allegheny Carpet and Feather Renovating Co., Near Ohio and Pennsylvania ave. P. & A. 'Phone 1403 North. 126h

BRAUN'S DANCING ACADEMY, Sixth and Liberty sts. Tel. 1551. Classes for new beginners now forming. Ten Lessons Three Dollars. 1107h

GO away back and sit down. That's what the incompetent painter must do. When you've paint to be done send for P. J. BYRNE, 634 Fifth ave. 1017h

NEIGHBORS will advise the use of SWEET CASTOR. 820h

NO trouble for mothers to give SWEET CASTOR. 820h

STRAYED.

STRAYED—Bedroom suite, Carpet, springs and Mattresses, Couches and Stoves Cheap. Allegheny Carpet and Feather Renovating Co., 823 Pennsylvania ave. 126h

Cleaning. Dyeing. SIMPSON CLEANING & DYEING CO. 614 Penn Ave. Repairing. Pressing. 1215h

SWEET CASTOR, pure castor oil; price 10 cts.; all druggists. 820h

MEETINGS.

Office of the United Traction Co. of Pittsburgh, Pittsburgh, Pa., Dec. 19, 1901.

SPECIAL NOTICE TO STOCKHOLDERS.

The board of directors of this company has called a special meeting of its stockholders, to be held at the office of the company, No. 453 Sixth avenue, Pittsburgh, Pa., on Wednesday, December 30, 1901, at 1:30 o'clock p. m., for the purpose of voting for or against the ratification of a contract between this company and the Wilkinsburg & East Pittsburgh Street Railway Company and the Pitcairn & Wilmerding Street Railway Company; a lease between this company and the Pittsburgh & Birmingham Traction Company, and the operating contract between this company and the Southern Traction Company.

W. R. CARSON, Secretary. 1219jo

Office of National Union Fire Insurance Company of Pittsburgh, Pittsburgh, Pa., Oct. 22, 1901.

TO THE STOCKHOLDERS—The annual meeting of the stockholders will be held at the general office of the company, No. 331 and 333 Wood street, in the city of Pittsburgh, Pa., on the 15th day of January, A. D. 1902, at 3 o'clock p. m., for the election of a board of directors, for the purpose of considering the question of the increase of the capital stock of the company and for the transaction of such other business as may be brought before the meeting. J. H. COLE, Secretary.

By order of the board of directors. 1062xo

Aspinwall, Pa., Dec. 11, 1901.

NOTICE to the stockholders of the Pittsburgh Organ & Piano Company—The annual meeting of the above-named company will be held at the office of the said company, Aspinwall, Pa., Saturday, January 11, at 2 o'clock p. m., for the election of a board of directors and also to vote for or against a proposition to increase the membership of the board of directors from five to nine members. Also for the transaction of any other business properly brought before it. T. B. WINDSOR, Secretary. 1212xo

Duquesne National Bank, Pittsburgh, Pa., December 14, 1901.

STOCKHOLDERS' MEETING—The annual meeting of the stockholders of the Duquesne National bank, to elect ten (10) directors, to serve for the ensuing year, will be held at the banking house, No. 439 Smithfield st., Pittsburgh, Pa., between the hours of 12 o'clock m. and 1 p. m. on Tuesday, January 14, 1902.

A. R. PATTERSON, 1214xo Cashier.

MONEY TO LOAN.

SALARY LOANS.

Money to-day. Money today. Do you need money? So you want money? So you want to know where to go to borrow it, where you will be courteously and kindly treated; where your interests and welfare will be looked after and protected, where you can borrow any amount on your salary from $10 to $100 or $200—your plain note without publicity, no bondsman, no mortgage, your friends need not know. Payments arranged to suit your convenience. you can deal with me quickly and satisfactorily.

RELIABLE CREDIT CO., 301 Smithfield st., —Room 17— Open Evenings Until Xmas. 1217h

CASH PAID FOR DEEDS.

Highest cash prices paid for properties about to be foreclosed. Send description to P. O. Box 588, Pittsburgh. 1218d

TWO HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLARS at 4, 4½, 5 and 6 per cent; first and second mortgages; no delay; 5-day deed. T. J. BURKE & CO., 431 Fourth ave. 1219j

ED. WITTISH, 424 Fifth ave., Pittsburgh, Pa., wants mortgages and securities. Call. 1201h

MONEY to loan on mortgages. W. F. WEITERSHAUSEN, 11 Ohio st., Ally. 1020m

PERSONAL.

PERSONAL—HEART TO HEART TALKS. My Dear Father Pitt: There has been too much saying at the spigot and wasting at the bung hole; too much littleness and not enough public spirit shown; can you think of any better way of helping the city than by keeping up a good appearance, making our city attractive to strangers and satisfying to ourselves. No man should have a dingy looking house when painting is cost so reasonable as it is now. P. J. BYRNE, 634 Fifth ave. 1017h

PERSONAL—Allegheny Carpet & Feather Renovating Co., 823 Pennsylvania ave. Can sell you carpets cheap. We have a stock at the banking house. No. We have a stock at the banking house. No. And have second-hand carpets. 126h

PERSONAL—Do you know that your old tableware, locks, hinges, brass beds can be repaired, replated or refinished and lacquered in a first-class manner? COOKE PLATING WORKS, 110 Sandusky st., Allegheny. 99hb

WANTED—A free gift for wife or friends is given away at our store from now on with every purchase or liquor of $1 or over. ROBT. LEWIN & CO., 14 Southfield st. 1215qwxzpx

PERSONAL—If you are looking for a small house and small rent, with large house conveniences, go to Rhoda Bros., 1003 Carlton st., near Herron park. $20 houses with $40 conveniences. 1126h

PERSONAL—Stenographers, join speed class at the Reno Shorthand School, Sixth and Smithfield. Graham's Reporting Style thoroughly taught. Sessions daily, and Monday, Wednesday and Friday evenings. 1026h

PERSONAL—Let us clean your carpets. We can do it right. We have good machinery. Allegheny Carpet and Feather Renovating Co., 823 Pennsylvania ave. 126h

PERSONAL—Now is the time to have your fall cleaning, cleaning and fixed up. We are experts in this line of work. SIMPSON LAUNDRY & DYEING CO., 614 Penn ave. 215h

Cleaning. Dyeing. SIMPSON CLEANING & DYEING CO. 614 Penn Ave. Repairing. Pressing. 1215h

PERSONAL—Allen's Rug Works, 6956 and 6958 Penn ave., E. E., can weave your old carpets into fine rugs and druggets; send for circular. 1110pvxh

PERSONAL—When you need printing, call up Bell 'phone 81 Fisk, or P. & A. 84 Lawrence, and get H. C. Knapp's prices on good work. 1016h

SORE, tired feet fitted in comfortably-fitting, honestly made shoes in all kinds of leathers, at reasonable prices, by CAIN, 503 Market st. 1010hb

PERSONAL—Business cards printed properly, H. C. Knapp, 3521 Butler st. Both 'phones. 1016h

EDUCATED people who need an income, address Proofreader, Box 5-8, Philadelphia. 161fh

NOT necessary to hold the nose when giving SWEET CASTOR. 820h

SAVES night walks for pups. SWEET CASTOR. 820h

ONLY pure castor oil used in SWEET CASTOR. 820h

SPECIAL.

Silver Plating, Nickel Plating, Brass Plating, Copper Plating. COOKE PLATING WORKS, 110 Sandusky st., Allegheny. 99hb

DON'T lay on a hard mattress. Have it made over. We send it back like new. Allegheny Carpet and Feather Renovating Co., 823 Pennsylvania ave. 126h

MALE STENOGRAPHERS, join speed class at Reno Shorthand School, Sixth and Smithfield. Graham's Reporting Style thoroughly taught. Monday, Wednesday and Friday evenings. 1026h

DELAYS ARE DANGEROUS. This is a great truth when said of painting. Paint your home now, the best season of the year. Send for BYRNE, 634 Fifth ave. 1017h

ENGINEERS appreciate our non-slipping, as near waterproof as can be made, and not stiff soled, high-laced boots. Easy as a slipper. AT CAIN'S 503 Market st. 1010hb

IF you want good painting done, go to a painter who knows his business. P. J. BYRNE, 634 Fifth ave. 1017h

SEE H. C. KNAPP, 3521 BUTLER ST. for those programs and tickets you want printed. 1016h

IF it's good printing you want, see Knapp, 3521 Butler st. Both 'phones. 1016h

RAVES trouble with the children. SWEET CASTOR. 820h

REWARD.

SWEET CASTOR! Acts like Castor Oil. Look likes Castor Oil. Same dose as Castor Oil. Same price as Castor Oil. But it TASTES DIFFERENT! 821h

CALL up 353 North, both 'phones. Get prices on renovating. Feathers, mattresses and carpets. All orders given prompt attention. 126h

IF you want good painting done, go to a painter who knows his business. P. J. BYRNE, 634 Fifth ave. 1017h

REWARD—H. C. Knapp, the Printer, because he's the best. 3521 Butler st. Both 'phones. 1016h

SWEET CASTOR takes place of castor oil. 10 cts. 820h

STOLEN.

LETTER HEADS, circulars, letters, bill heads, etc., printed as they should be, by H. C. Knapp, 3521 Butler st. Both 'phones. 1016h

STOLEN—As others say: Knapp does the best printing, 3521 Butler st. Both 'phones. 1016h

SWEET CASTOR will not gripe. It contains aromatics. 820h

MEDICAL.

IF you need castor oil, use SWEET CASTOR. 820h

No trouble for babies to take SWEET CASTOR. 820h

PATENTS.

PATENTS—O. D. Lewis, 25 years attorney, 642 Smithfield st., Pittsburgh. 12145ot

ELECTIONS.

Second National Bank of Pittsburgh. United States Depositary. Pittsburgh, Pa., Dec. 14, 1901.

ELECTION—The annual election for directors of this bank to serve for the ensuing year will be held at the banking house, corner Liberty ave. and Ninth st., on Tuesday, January 14, 1902, between the hours of

E. W. Harden's Daily New York Business Letter

WALL STREET BETTING OVER COPPER MELON

All Sorts of Guesses Ventured as to What Directors Will Do Today.

WAR ON INDEPENDENTS

All Spot Orders for Steel Rails Rejected—Prices of Copper Wire Products Shaded by the Small Fry. Flood Shuts Down Many Furnaces.

[BY PRIVATE WIRE TO THE GAZETTE.]

NEW YORK, Dec. 18.—Barely has the Wall street suspense over a dividend been more acute than that now arising from the uncertainty as to what the directors of the Amalgamated Copper Company will do at their regular meeting tomorrow. The betting was 2½ and 3 to 1 that there would be a dividend of some kind. It would seem that every possibility, from an adjournment without action to a 1½ per cent dividend for the quarter, had been entertained by the street in its mental speculations, but there still remains a vague apprehension that the directors have a surprise back. If their action is within the range of the probabilities considered, it is to be expected, the experts say, that the news awaited tomorrow will benefit the market and make forthwith for greater speculative activity. To know the worst, of course, is preferable to uncertainty. Some observers insist that the widely entertained belief, amounting almost to a religion in Wall street, that 60 is the lowest limit for Amalgamated Copper, has been responsible for the market's rally this week.

It is mentioned as a significant circumstance that the stock should have fallen to within a bare fraction of 60 so close upon the stated meeting of the directors tomorrow.

Making War Upon Independents.

Announcement today of a second cut in the price of copper metal was followed by a rise of about four points in Amalgamated Copper, which only shows how far ahead trade developments habitually are discounted by those who know. Isaac Lewisohn of the United Metals Selling Company made the following statement late today:

"We have been actuated by trade conditions. I may say that we have been trying to find a price at which consumers will take copper, and then, of course, you know, the independent companies have been underselling us."

On being asked if the cuts by the combine had caused the independents to buckle and seek the agreement they refused a month ago to make, Mr. Lewisohn replied: "No, we haven't seen any of them yet."

There seems no longer to be any doubt of it that the Amalgamated Copper Company has entered upon a campaign without quarter against the small independent producers over whom it has been "holding the umbrella."

As the price of copper declines the technical strength of Amalgamated Copper Company's position becomes more and more apparent. If it is sound reasoning to say that lower prices mean greater trade stability, even at a sacrifice of temporary profits, then the combine interest's campaign is losing immeasurably less than independent producers, many of whom will be compelled to go out of business in consequence of the Amalgamated Copper Company's refusal longer to hold the market at an excessive level. The Amalgamated company can produce metal cheaper, perhaps, than any other company in the business. Its advantage in this respect will be greatly increased with the completion of its new $9,000,000 smelting plant in the Butte district.

All Spot Rail Orders Rejected.

It is estimated by competent authorities that the orders for steel rails booked for 1902 delivery aggregate 2,000,000 tons. There is believed not to be a single rail-producing company whose plants have not been guaranteed enough business to engage their maximum capacity until at the earliest, October of next year. Commenting on the present situation, one of the best informed authorities in the trade said to your correspondent today:

"Had not steel rail companies entered into an agreement to maintain the price of $28 a ton for next year's delivery, current quotations would be several dollars a ton higher than that. In other words, we would be enjoying what is commonly called a boom. Manufacturers even now could get more than $28 a ton for rails for spot delivery, but the fact is, that they are booked so far ahead that they are compelled to reject spot business. The output of rails during 1902 will be entirely inadequate to supply the demand. Present indications are that orders involving several hundred thousand tons will have to be carried over into 1903."

Wire Product Prices Shaded.

Bearish reports on the market for wire products are strenuously contradicted, not only by combine interests, but by the larger independents. "Prices are well. There was current in Wall street today a report that several companies were heavily shading prices for wire rods. At the offices of the American Steel and Wire Company it was said that combine prices are unchanged, and that if any independent competitors had been shading, they, the officials of the American Steel and Wire Company, were ignorant of it. From another source, distinct from those whence the denials came, it was said that one independent company was offering wire rods materially below current quotations. Other independents insist, however, that they are doing a very satisfactory business, and are not supposed to meet shaded prices.

What the combine and other large interests deny, is not that there has been shading of prices, but that the market is imminently weak. They could do nothing if they wanted to that the prices are being shaded, and that in the case of wire nails, at least, there has been within three months a drop from $2.80 to a present low price of $1.85 a keg.

The responsibility for the decline in wire nails, as well as in several other wire products, is severely criticised by officials of those companies that have sought to maintain prices on the level that they obtained three months ago. It is intimated that speculative interests in the stock market have been responsible for much of the trouble.

A Pittsburgh Story Denied.

An official of the American Steel and Wire Company had occasion today to emphatically deny the Pittsburgh dispatch saying that the warehouses of the company in that city were rapidly filling with surplus products which would probably remain in storage all winter. This official says the stocks of the company in Pittsburgh are comparatively small and that the concern is doing a better business now than it was doing at a corresponding period of last year. It is officially stated that the standard price for wire nails, as maintained by the American Steel and Wire Company, is $2 a keg. The prices now being quoted $1.85 for the Union Iron and Steel Company, is $1.95 a keg, and this is the lowest price that has been quoted for upward of three years.

Combine interests hold the Union Iron & Steel Company directly responsible for the falling off in nails. Its capacity is only 2,800 kegs a day, whereas the present output of the American Steel & Wire Company is between 12,000 and 15,000 kegs. The average consumption of the country is estimated at 36,000 kegs a day. It is readily seen, from their relative outputs, that the American Steel & Wire Company has a great deal more to lose than the Union Iron & Steel Company. The combine and larger independents have been compelled to follow the Union Iron & Steel Company down to $2 a keg, and there they hope to hold prices for an indefinite time.

One independent producer declared today that his plant was selling all the wire nails it could produce and that no sale had been made below $2 a keg. He added that the stocks on hand for his company were less than 10,000 kegs.

An interesting feature of the nail situation is that cut nails are now higher than wire, the former selling at $2.05 a keg to jobbers in carload lots. It is an axiom of the trade that consumers will not buy on a falling market, which accounts for the fact that many prospective buyers, especially jobbers, are withholding orders in anticipation of a further decline.

Furnace Stocks Growing Smaller.

Rogers, Brown & Co. have received the following from their Cincinnati offices: "Furnace stocks were decreased during November over 40,000 tons, leaving only about 240,000 tons of all grades and qualities in furnace yards unsold. Buyers feel that prices are conservative, and as there is no probability of lower figures for many months to come it is wise to provide for the open hearth trade in the future as the autumn of 1902. Some customers have made contracts for castings covering all of next year, and are figuring for pig iron through the following 12 months, and some orders for the year have been entered. This confidence is likely to be founded principally on their entering orders for the manufactured products, and on the bright outlook for future business. Prices have been held steadily by the larger producers heroically refusing to yield to the powerful temptation to avail themselves of the opportunity presented to secure temporarily extraordinary profits, and unless buyers become excited and precipitate a panicky condition themselves a wild market will be prevented, though it is not unreasonable to believe that prices upon foundry and mill products may appreciate still further."

Flood Makes Matters Worse.

Furnace interests seem peculiarly beset with ill-fortune. No sooner did the exasperating car shortage begin to show relief than the floods, which, according to advices received today, have been responsible for the closing of quite a number of furnaces in the Lehigh valley. Washing away of bridges and tracks is said to have crippled transportation facilities so badly that furnaces are shut off from their normal supply of coal and coke. In the Lehigh valley district there are between 25 and 35 blast furnaces.

E. W. HARDEN.

Dividends Declared.

New York Air Brake directors declared the regular quarterly dividend of of 2 per cent.

Metropolitan Street Railway directors declared the regular quarterly dividend of 1¼ per cent.

The regular quarterly dividend of 1¼ per cent on Big Four preferred will be paid January 20.

The Colorado Fuel & Iron Company declared a quarterly dividend of 1¾ per cent on the common stock.

The American Telephone & Telegraph Company declared the regular quarterly dividend of 1¾ per cent, and an extra dividend of ¾ per cent.

The directors of the Hall Signal Company declared the regular quarterly dividend of 1 per cent on the common stock, payable December 24.

The trustees of the Dollar Savings Fung & Trust Company have declared a quarterly dividend of 2 per cent, payable after January 2. Books close December 31.

Procter & Gamble declared the regular quarterly dividend of 2 per cent on the preferred, payable January 15, and 3 per cent on the common, payable February 1.

The directors of the American Telegraph & Telephone Company have declared a regular quarterly dividend of 1½ per cent, and an extra dividend of ¾ of 1 per cent.

The books of the Estate Trust Company will close December 30 and reopen January 2. On the latter date the first quarterly dividend of 2 per cent will be payable.

The three Cs regular quarterly preferred stock dividend of 1¾ per cent will be paid January 20. No meeting of directors is necessary for the declaration of this dividend.

The annual Copper meeting is called for 2 p. m. today, but it is strongly rumored that the meeting will be called to order and then adjourn until next week. On the "curb" even money was bet that the company would declare 1 per cent.

Future of Copper Market Baffles Wall Street's Financial Soothsayers

PROFESSIONAL OPERATORS ARE ON THE FENCE

Conditions in the Security Market Continue to Puzzle Outsiders.

ANOTHER CUT IN COPPER

United Metals Selling Company Announces Further Reduction in Price of the Raw Article—Easier Tone in Money.

[BY ASSOCIATED PRESS TO THE GAZETTE.]

NEW YORK, Dec. 18.—The principal effort of operators in stocks today continued to be to solve the enigma of the copper question. The erratic fluctuations of Amalgamated Copper reflected the uncertainty of mind of the professional operators in this stock, who largely monopolized the dealings. Traders of the class who usually depend upon the toss of a coin or on the aggressive leadership of larger operators for actuating motive talked glibly of technical conditions in the copper trade. Of actual developments the additional cut in the prices of copper was the feature of the day. The weakness yesterday in Amalgamated, which continued this morning, was due to the assumption that there would be further declines in the price of the company's product. The rally of 4½ points in the price of the stock after the reduction of selling prices by the United Metals Selling Company indicated that yesterday's selling was by professional bears and was overdone. The fact that the former difference between the price of Lake Superior and electrolytic copper was overcome by today's changes was taken as an indication of an adjustment of differences of opinion between the controlling interests in Amalgamated Copper and Calumet & Hecla, as it has been supposed that the latter interests maintained that Amalgamated had an undue advantage from the relative cheapness of electrolytic copper. Many rumors were industriously circulated of progress toward adjustment of all of the late unsettling influences in the copper situation. The lowering of prices by the copper producers in the trade is believed to have cut off the margin of profit on production of many of the minor producers, thus foreshadowing a decline in production. The bear contingent in these securities was also somewhat encouraged by the belief that the bottom point had been reached, as it is obviously bound to do at some time after its extensive decline. The possibility that all the bad news was out added to the urgency of the demand from the bear side, and which is closed at the top price, 3 points above last night and 6 points above the low record price. Further selling of Standard Oil in the outside market at as low as 650 was attributed to sympathy with the weakening influences surrounding Copper. The general market showed a disposition to ignore the early weakness in Amalgamated Copper. The motive for the underlying strength in the market was the easier tone in the money market, call loans ruling at the rate of 5 per cent. Fears of further gold exports are subsiding and confidence is growing that the period until the reflux of funds into the channels of the money market will be safely tided over. The transcontinental and grain carrying roads, especially St. Paul and Union Pacific, were effective leaders in the advance. The announcement of the cut in copper, while it drove the shorts to cover in that stock and rallied it effectually, caused a sharp reaction in the general market. The bears centered their attack on Manhattan, forcing it 3½ under the best. The high-priced coolers and a number of specialties especially the cotton oil stocks, Western Union, Pacific Mail, Colorado Fuel and the distilling stocks, showed notable strength. The buoyancy finally developed in Amalgamated Copper, rallied the general market and caused a firm closing. The bond market was active and firm. Total sales, par value, $2,115,000.

United States old 4s, coupon, and the 4s registered advanced ½, and 5s, coupon, ¼. The 3s, coupon, declined ¼ per cent on the last call.

WALL STREET FEATURES.

Total sales 702,700 shares.

Amalgamated Copper makes net gain of 3 points, notwithstanding further reduction in quotations on raw article.

Money market easier.

Transcontinental and grain carrying roads were strong leaders.

Bears Successfully attack Manhattan.

United States Steel common closed 41⅝.

United States Steel preferred closed 91½.

CLOSING PRICES OF BONDS.

U. S. ref. 2s, reg.	105⅜	*L. & N. uni. 4s	102½
Do coupon	106¼	*Mex. Central 4s	81⅝
Do 3s, reg	105⅝	Do 1st inc.	30½
Do coupon	106⅜	*M. K. & T. 4s	95½
Do new 4s, reg	139⅝	*M., K. & T. 4s	96⅝
Do coupon	139⅝	Do 2ds	81½
Do old 4s, reg	111⅜	*N. Y. C. 3½s	106¼
Do coupon	111⅜	*N. Y. Cent. 3½s	104⅛
Do 5s, reg	107⅜	*N. J. C. gen. 5s	131½
Do coupon	107⅜	*North. Pac. 4s	104⅛
Atch. gen. 4s	102⅜	Do 3s	72⅝
Do adj. 4s	92⅜	Nor. & W. con. 6s	107½
B. & O. 4s	102⅜	Reading gen. 4s	90⅝
Do 3½s	97	S. L. & I. M. con. 5s	117⅛
Do con. 4s	104½	*St. L. & S. F. 4s	97½
*Can. So. 2ds	106⅜	*St. L. & S. F. 4s	97½
Central Ga. 5s	106	Do 2ds	70½
Do 1st inc.	70	S. A. & A. P. 4s	89⅝
C. & O. 4½s	106¼	Southern Pac. 4s	92⅜
C. & O. 5s	85⅝	Southern Ry. 5s	122
C., B. & Q. new 4s	98¼	*Tex. & Pac. 1sts	114⅜
*C., M. & St. P. 4s	111¼	*T. St. L. & W. 4s	81
C. & N. con. 7s	140½	Union Pacific 4s	103½
C. R. I. & P. 4s	100⅜	Do conv. 4s	105⅝
C. C. C. & St. L. g. 4s	104	Wabash 1sts	118
Chicago Term. 4s	89	*Wabash 2ds	113⅝
Col. & South. 4s	88⅝	Do deb B	69⅜
*D. & R. G. 4s	103	West Shore 4s	114
Erie prior lien 4s	100½	*W. & L. E. 4s	91½
Do gen. 4s	89⅝	*Wis. Central 4s	90
Ft. W. & D. C. 1st	102⅜	Con. Tobacco 4s	64
*Hock. Val. 4½s	108		

*Bid. †Offered.

New York "Curb" Market.

Henry Sproul & Co. furnish the following closing bids on active stocks traded in on the "curb," or outside the New York stock exchange:

A. H. & L.	4½	N. Y. Elec. V. Tr.	12⅝
Do pref'red	22	Otis Elevator	27
Bay State Gas	⅝	Do preferred	74
Brit. Col. Copper	5½	Roy. Bk. Pd.	107
Brooklyn Fr. Co.	18½	Standard Oil	650@655
Comm. Mtr. Co.	8	Trenton Pot.	85
Electric Boat	18	U. S. Cast I. P.	9¾
Do preferred	40	Do preferred	36
Electric Vehicle	2½	Union Copper	4½
Do preferred	7½	Do preferred	25½
Elec. Pneumatic	1¼	Do preferred	48⅝
General Carriage	1¼	American Can	15
Havana Com'l Co.	11	Do preferred	58⅝
Do preferred	40	Am. Ice Sec.	35⅝
N. Am. Gas Bds.	108⅝		

Boston Copper and Mining.

A. E. Masten & Co., 308 Fourth Avenue, Pittsburgh, furnish the following closing bids of copper and mining stocks in Boston:

Adventure	17½	Osceola	81
Amalgamated	60½	Old Dominion	22⅜
Arcadian	4	Old Colony	3
Atlantic	29¾	Parrot	29⅜
Bingham	24½	Rhode Island	2¾
Calumet	500	Trinountain	23
Centennial	12⅜	Tamarack	230
Copper Range	47	U. S. Mining	19¾
Elm River	1½	Victoria	13⅜
Franklin	32	Wolverine	4⅝
Gila	18	Winona	2
Mohawk	90	Phoenix	3
Michigan	7½	Gunnajuats	4⅜
Santa Fe Copper	2½		

New York Prices.

Daily range of prices reported by Messrs. Henry Sproul & Co., No. 236 Fourth avenue, members of the New York, Philadelphia, Pittsburgh and Chicago stock exchanges and Chicago board of trade.

Sales.	STOCKS.	Open.	High.	Low.	Last Sale.
26200	A., T. & S. F.	77⅞	78⅜	77⅞	78⅜
1600	Do preferred	94⅜	96⅜	94⅜	96⅜
	Am. Cotton Oil	39⅜	39⅝	39⅜	39⅝
	Do preferred	90	91	90	91
4400	Am. Ice Sec.	12⅜	12⅞	12⅜	12⅞
	Do preferred	116	116	116	116
2500	Am. Locomotive	30⅜	31	30⅜	30⅜
1000	Do preferred	89½	90⅜	89½	90⅜
2700	Am. Smelting	82⅜	83⅜	82⅜	83⅜
700	Do preferred	85⅜	85⅜	85⅜	85⅜
	American Can	10⅞	10⅞	10⅞	10⅞
127300	Amal. Copper	59⅜	63⅜	59⅜	63⅜
2600	Am. Cotton Oil	29⅜	30⅜	29⅜	30⅜
900	Am. Smelt. & R.	44	44⅜	43	44
300	Do preferred	93	93⅜	93	93⅜
	American Tob.	87⅜	87⅜	87⅜	87⅜
	Do preferred	87⅜	88⅜	87⅜	88⅜
3200	Balti. & Ohio	102	102	101	101
800	Do preferred	96	96		
4200	Brook. Rap. Tr.	42⅜	42⅞	42⅜	42⅞
25600	Can. Pacific	134⅜	135⅜	134⅜	135⅜
1200	Cons. Gas	215½	215½	215½	214½
300	C. C. C. & St. L.	97½	97	97	97
2400	Ches. & Ohio	46¾	46¾	46¾	46¾
500	Chicago Ind. & L.	40	40	40	40
100	Do preferred	74½	77	74½	77
1700	Col. Fuel & Iron	83⅛	90	83⅛	90
	Do preferred	95	95	95	95
1000	Col. Southern	32⅜	33⅜	32⅜	33⅜
1400	Do 1st pfd	56½	56½	56	56½
	Do 2d pfd				
900	Del. Lack. & W.	247	248	246	248½
2200	Den. & Rio Grande	17⅞	17⅞	17⅜	17⅜
2800	Do 1st pfd	71⅝	71⅝	71⅝	71⅝
1100	Do 2d pfd	50⅜	50⅜	50⅜	50
1500	General Elec.	170	170	170	170
900	Glucose Sug. R.	29⅜	29⅜	29⅜	29⅜
	Do preferred	107	107	107	107
1400	Illinois Centl.	137⅝	139	137⅝	138⅝
	Iowa Central				
	Do preferred	70½	70½	70½	70
700	Inter. Paper	20⅞	20⅞	19⅞	20
	Do preferred	70	70	70	70
100	L. E. & Western	67⅜	67⅜	67⅜	67⅜
	Do preferred				128
14300	Louis. & Nash.	102	103⅜	101⅝	103⅜
58700	Manhattan	135⅞	136	135⅜	135⅞
1500	Missouri Pacific	104⅜	104⅜	103⅜	103⅜
	So. Mo. Pacific pfd.	90	90	90	90
3600	Metropolitan	161	161⅜	160⅜	160⅜
2700	Mexican Cent.	23	24	23	24
	National Lead				
	Do preferred	82	82	82	82
600	National Biscuit	44	44	44	44
	Do preferred				102½
12300	N. Y. Central	166⅛	169⅛	165⅞	169⅛
1000	N. Y. Chic. & St. L.	34	34	34	34
7800	N. Y., O. & W.	33⅜	34	33⅜	33⅜
2900	Norfolk & West.	55½	55¾	55½	55¾
	Do preferred				91
	Ontario & West.				33
1400	P. G. L. & C. Co	99⅜	99⅜	97⅜	97⅜
2200	Pacific Mail	44½	46	44⅜	44⅜
	Pullman				205
700	Pressed Car	38⅛	39⅜	38⅛	38⅜
900	Do preferred	79½	80½	79½	80
	Republic Iron	14⅝	14⅝	14⅝	14⅝
	Do preferred	67	67	67	67
22100	Southern Pacific	54⅜	55⅜	54⅜	55⅜
5000	Southern Railway	27⅜	28⅜	27⅜	28⅜
4100	Do preferred	69⅜	69⅜	69⅜	69⅜
65800	St. Paul	162¼	163⅞	161⅜	163⅜
	Do preferred				185
100	Do preferred	87	87	87	87
1900	Rock Island	151	151⅜	150⅜	150⅜
100	Republic Iron	15⅜	15⅜	15⅜	15⅜

Local Stocks Showed Decided Strength, Some Making Sharp Gains

ANOTHER BIG "MELON" FOR FIRE PROOFING

Call for Capital's Increase Accompanied by Stock-Dividend Rumors.

BOTH ISSUES ADVANCED

Window Glass Common Boomed on Prospects of a Dividend Today. Steel Shares Firm and Higher. Coalers Steady.

The market on the Pittsburgh stock exchange yesterday was much more active and generally quite firm, the close being steady with several big advances in prices. The feature of the day was in National Fire Proofing issues and American Window Glass common. Fire Proofing common sold 2,349 shares, and, after opening at 34, jumped to 35¾, finally closing at 35¾ sales and bid. The gain was $2 a share. The preferred, which started at 43, advanced sharply to 44½ on sales of 625 shares, closing at the top, which was a gain of $2 50 for the day. Both stocks closed strong and in demand. The reason for the sudden return to activity and strength in these issues is undoubtedly due to the published call for a meeting of the stockholders February 17, 1902, for the purpose of voting upon a proposition to increase the capital stock in both common and preferred to such an amount as may be deemed necessary to carry on and enlarge the company's business. In July last the capital stock was increased from $2,000,000 to $5,000,000 by the issue of $2,000,000 preferred and $1,000,000 common stock, and in that transaction holders of the stock received a bonus with their subscriptions for the new issue. The common stock holders were also given a 12 per cent cash dividend. Now it is reported, and has been for some time, that a 15 per cent stock dividend will be declared shortly. A head official of the company a short time ago told the writer that the company's earnings were such that it was possible another "melon" would be cut before long. He also gave information that the company was negotiating for the absorption of some large foreign companies, as well as others in this country, and the proposed increase of capital looks now as if these negotiations had been successful. The amounts of the new increase or the terms have not yet been decided.

At the last call American Window Glass common sprang into life. It opened at 53 and jumped quickly to 54¼, a gain of 1½ for the day. The advance was due to the report that the company would today declare another dividend on the common stock the same as the last, 1½ per cent, thus making it a quarterly one. The report was probably true, as the directors are said to have decided the matter yesterday.

In the remainder of the list there was not a great deal doing. Allegheny Valley railroad preferred advanced 1½ to 25 for 600 shares, and more was wanted. Amalgamated Copper closed at 65, a gain of $3. In New York it closed at 65½, bid. The steel stocks were firmer and higher, though the sales were not large. The coalers were steady and practically unchanged, the trading being rather light. Ice common and Brewing preferred both declined. The other transactions are sufficiently detailed in the appended table.

PITTSBURGH FEATURES.

Bank exchanges decreased $895,524 80.

Total sales Pittsburgh stock exchange 7,814⅝ shares, $2,000 bonds, 150 receipts and 404 rights.

Fire Proofing sold 2,349 shares. Closed 35¾. Gain $2.

Fire Proofing preferred sold 625 shares. Closed 44½. Gain 2½.

American Window Glass jumped from 52 to 54¼ at the last call. Sales 450 shares.

600 Allegheny Valley Railroad preferred sold at 25. Gain 1½.

Crucible Steel closed at 23¼ and the preferred at 85⅞.

United States Steel closed at 41¾ and the preferred at 91⅞.

Pittsburgh Coal issues were dull and unchanged.

THE PITTSBURGH STOCK EXCHANGE RECORD.

SALES AND QUOTATIONS. WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 18, 1901.

The public sales in detail were:

First Call.

$2,000 U. S. S. 5s (R.A.)*113½; 50 Crucible Steel pfd. 85⅞; 100 N. F. Fire Proof. com. 35; 100 N. F. Fire Proof. com. 35; 50 N. F. Fire Proof. com. 35; 100 N. F. Fire Proof. com. 35; 50 N. F. Fire Proof. com. 35; 50 N. F. Fire Proof. com. 35; 50

ANSWER FILED TO EQUITY SUIT OF C. H. DUNCAN

H. B. Beatty, O. H. Strong and S. Y. Ramage Deny They Made $200,000.

GAS INTERESTS INVOLVED

Defendants Deny the Sale of the Peoples Company Was a Fraudulent One, or That the Plaintiff Suffered Any Loss by the Transaction.

An answer was filed in the equity case of Charles H. Duncan against H. B. Beatty, O. H. Strong, S. Y. Ramage and the Manufacturers Light and Heat Company, in which it was alleged Beatty and others made $200,000 by the purchase of the Peoples Light and Heat Company, after which they arranged to turn it over to the Manufacturers company. The defendants say that the plaintiff cannot maintain the suit, because he has no cause of action as a single stockholder, and because of his delay in bringing the suit.

It is set forth that Duncan besought Beatty to purchase oil and gas properties when they were on the board of directors of the Manufacturers company, and while Beatty did not comply with the request no suggestion was made that his employment precluded him from so doing. It is said the directors of the Manufacturers company never informally considered or discussed the advisability of acquiring the plant of the Peoples company, nor did Beatty and Duncan discuss the question, and that the only time the matter was discussed was when the directors agreed and did purchase the interests of the Peoples company. It is denied that Beatty and Ramage in a combination with Strong, scheming and intending to make a profit, purchased the Peoples company for $375,000, or that sids was more than it was actually worth, and sought to induce the directors of the Manufacturers company to purchase the property for $575,000. It is denied that Beatty or Ramage concealed information as to the price paid for the Peoples company, or that Beatty, Ramage and Strong made $200,000 out of the deal. It is stated that Ramage and Beatty with their own money purchased the Peoples company, but at this time the Manufacturers company was not interested in the purchase, and that Strong had no part in it.

The defendants say that the cost of the property, instead of being $375,000 to Ramage and Beatty, was about $508,750, and in addition to this there were certain liabilities they were compelled to assume. After the purchase had turned out profitable, it is stated, and when the property was offered at a higher price, Beatty and Ramage were reluctant to do this. It is denied Duncan suffered any loss, that the sale was a fraudulent one, or that there was any profit, illegally, wrongfully or fraudulently made by Beatty, Ramage and Strong. It is charged Duncan voted in favor of the consolidation.

The answer then continues: "For further answer to said bill of complaint we aver that Ramage and Beatty, having been annoyed by misstatements and charges of said Duncan and his attempt to extort from them money as the price of his silence, determined to bring the matter before the stockholders of said company * * * and the stockholders agreed to ratify and confirm the sale."

A demurrer was filed to the plaintiff's bill.

CONDUCTORS' SIDE HEARD.

Attorney Roasts Traction Company's Methods in Handling Cars.

Criminal Court Cases.

The trial of C. C. Blake and A. J. Borges, formerly employed as conductors for the Pittsburgh & Birmingham Traction Company, was continued in criminal court. The defendants denied that they were guilty of embezzling the funds of the company and averred that their account slips showed the exact amount collected by them. This amount, the company admits, was turned in with the reports of the defendants. It was also testified that, for an hour after the night cars are put on the trips, the day cars are left standing outside the barn with the doors unlocked and that the registers can easily be tampered with.

The attorney for the defense in his address to the jury, stated that the spotters employed by the company could have easily altered the returns made by the conductors as they do not retain duplicates of their reports and can easily tamper with the registers as the cars are open while in the car barn. He further stated that the prosecutors had gone to Cleveland and Buffalo, where the defendants were employed before coming to Pittsburgh, in their attempts to obtain evidence which would bear upon their honesty as conductors of other street railway companies, but had been unable to secure such evidence. Instead they had added to the character of the defendants previous to their present trouble. He also dwelt upon the manner used by the company in not locking their cars and looking after the condition of the registers on the return of the cars to the car barn.

C. M. Miller pleaded guilty to the charge of the larceny of $2250 preferred by J. D. Logan. He was sent to the workhouse for three months.

CAN SELL WITH IMPUNITY.

Imposition of Costs on Agent Terry in 500 Oleo Cases Upheld by Court.

In the quarter sessions court yesterday an order was made placing the costs in about 500 oleomargarine cases on Agent James Terry, the prosecutor, who represented the pure food department of Pennsylvania. When these bills were ignored the grand jury put the costs on Terry, but he took an appeal and upon this the order was made yesterday. The first of the appeals in 13 oleomargarine cases resulting from prosecutions under the coloring clause of the late oleomargarine act was called for trial before Judge John D. Shafer yesterday. J. J. Runge is the appellant, he having been fined $100 by Alderman John Cahill for selling the colored article. A verdict was found in favor of Runge.

New Suits Entered.

New suits were entered as follows:

COMMON PLEAS NO. 1.

Plaintiff. Defendant. Action
George R. Wallace—C. B. Lawton.....assp.

COMMON PLEAS NO. 2.

John Dorin et al.....assp.
P. D. Owen—American Pneumatic Tool Co.....for. att.
M. M. Welson—Richard E. McClure.....sci. fa. mtg.
Alexander Patterson—W. H. Reese & Co.....sp.
John Morrison, Jr.—American Natural Gas Company.....only.
L. A. Little—L. Mercer.....tres.

COMMON PLEAS NO. 3.

Hannah B. Dickson—Sarah S. Gibson.....sci. fa. mtg.
Allen W. Jones—A. T. Zutell.....sci. fa. mtg.

Today's Trial Lists.

Criminal court—Commonwealth vs. Asher, for murder; Lizzie Kinsley, Mamie Peterson, Alex Reed, Owen Cronin, Otto Jones, Mose Radzinsky, J. Liker, A. J. Mohr, George Stanley, 2d, John Schmidt, John Sunseki, Rudolph Rudolph, W. W. Albert, William Davis, Charles Charles, Kate Dobosowitz, Casimer Szymanski, Phillip J. Brann, (2), Mary Houlihan, Alex McCutcheon, John Jones, Charles Colbin, (2).

Common pleas No. 1—Rossman vs. Monongahela Street Railway Company, Petchs vs. Home of Rankin, Martindale et al. vs. Consolidated Traction Company, Stouffer vs. Hoberg, Fagan vs. Viese, Susko vs. Baltimore & Ohio Railroad Company, Friend & Co. vs. Musgrave et al, Adams vs. same.

Common pleas No. 2—Commonwealth of Pennsylvania vs. Ritter et al, King vs. N. Y. & C. G. C. Co., Blonler vs. Meade, Yalanti vs. Pittsburgh Screw & Bolt Company, Boro of Turtle Creek vs. Boro of Wilkins et al, Vance vs. Noonan, Connelly et al vs. Jones, Vance vs. Noonan.

LEGAL BRIEFS.

Otelia Pandau of Pittsburgh and Andrew S. Ross, Pittsburgh, were dismissed from bankruptcy.

In the ejectment suit of Mrs. Kate Kuhn against William McFarland and others, a verdict was rendered for the defendants.

Charles W. Palmer was awarded $17 50 against the Monongahela Street Railway Company for being ejected from a car.

The will of Rebecca S. Kiernan was filed. The estate goes to her children, Mrs. S. U. Trent, Mrs. W. S. Hollner and Attorney E. E. Kiernan.

An equity suit was filed by James Morrison, Jr., against the American Natural Gas Company to compel the company to restore a connection to the plaintiff's house.

In the case of Antionetta Smala against Frank Stewart, to restrain the defendant from using the plaintiff's sewer on Mellon street, the court granted the injunction prayed for.

In the United States district court, Oscar C. Hood filed his schedule, showing his liabilities to be $2,983 and assets $2,000. In the case of Charles E. Lowe of Allegheny, the appraisers filed their report, giving his assets at $3,061.

The hearing in the contest over the will of Michael Kane was continued. John Kane, a son of Patrick Kane, the beneficiary, produced books, checks and receipts to show the testator was of his right mind at the time he made his will.

An order was made in quarter sessions court confirming absolutely the report of the commissioner in the redistricting of the Second, Third and Fifth election districts of the Twenty-first ward, this giving the ward three more districts.

A bill in equity, filed by the borough of Pitcairn, against the Willmerding & Pitcairn Street Railway Company was dismissed. An injunction was sought to restrain the company from paving about its tracks except in a manner set forth in the contract.

The will of John Josephaus, late of Allegheny, was filed. The bulk of a $9,500 estate goes to the testator's son, William J. Josephaus, and his wife. The children of Gen. W. Josephaus, another son, get $1 each. Attorney Charles W. Dahlinger represents the estate.

Judge J. D. Shafer dismissed the exceptions to the report of the viewers in the matter of the paving of Greentree avenue, Allegheny. The exception to the report was that it was not competent for the city to assess property for the actual grading, it should have been concluded in a former proceeding.

MANY ORDINANCES PASSED.

Allegheny Select Council Accomplished Much Business at Yesterday's Session.

At the meeting of Allegheny select council yesterday the following new papers were presented and referred to the proper committees: Resolutions authorizing the committee on surveys to report an ordinance establishing a grade on Benton avenue, from Brighton road to California avenue; ordinances in blank making the appropriation for the fiscal year beginning March 1; levying taxes and assessments for the year commencing March 1; authorizing the grading of Howard street extension from Elm street to Evans alley; receiving an ordinance for the opening of Lennox alley, from Harrison street to Wilson avenue; petition from Delinquent Tax Collector Samuel Grier asking to be relieved from carrying on his books $11,544 poll tax levied in 1858. He states that at the time it was considered unconstitutional, and after having considerable difficulty in collecting some $3,000, he was advised not to collect the balance.

The following ordinances were passed: Fixing the salary of an additional clerk in the controller's office at $1,060 per year; granting the Federal Street and Pleasant Valley railway right to lay tracks on Federal street across Ohio street; grading and paving Arch street extension, Juno street, Morrison avenue, Burlee alley, Woodland terrace, Kansas alley, Davis avenue, Orleans street and Delaware street; grading Viola street, Tioga street and Catoctin alley; widening Western avenue, from Ohio street to Irwin avenue; vacating an unnamed alley in the Fifteenth ward from Ottawa street to Riverview park; refunding John Hastings and John Borland each $200 for the construction of a retaining wall on Valley street; exonerating Charles Hansen from paying the Milroy avenue sewer assessment of $76.

The ordinance amending section 2 of the license ordinance was voted down. This ordinance provided for the payment of $5 a day for professional ball games and $99 for dances where liquor was sold.

Chicago Police Reorganization.

SPRINGFIELD, ILL., Dec. 18.—By a decision of the state supreme court the civil service examinations for Chicago police inspectors were declared to have been held illegally. As a result of the decision the police department will probably be reorganized in so far as the commanding officers are concerned.

A Christmas Suggestion

A Welsbach Reading Lamp

Pretty Ones, . $3 to $5
Beauties, . . 5 to 10
Handsome Ones, 10 to 20
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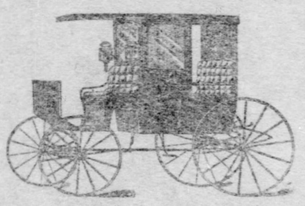

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As well as the handsomest, and others are invited to call on any druggist and get free a trial bottle of Kemp's Balsam for the Throat and Lungs, a remedy that is guaranteed to cure and relieve all Chronic and Acute Coughs, Asthma, Bronchitis and Consumption. Price 25c and 50c.

TOYS ARE READY FOR MANY CHILDREN

MISSION WILL DISTRIBUTE 10,000 CHRISTMAS GIFTS.

Charity, Which Brings Joy to Many a Poverty-Stricken Home, Will Have a Wider Field This Year Than Ever Before.

Thousands of poor children who, under ordinary circumstances, would have to do without the toys and trinkets customary at Christmas time, will be given a Christmas celebration this year through the generosity of Pittsburgh and Allegheny people. Maj. R. W. A. Simmons, who started this toy mission, as it is called, seven years ago, has kept it up this year. From present indications there will be more children given toys this year than any previous one since the mission started.

In the first year of its existence the mission was practically a private charity. Every year it grew, and from 2500 children the first year, 8,500 were given toys last year. From all indications this year that number will be surpassed, and 10,000 may be supplied.

The headquarters of the mission this year is at No. 216 Fourth avenue. Here are countless hundreds of toys and dolls of all shapes, colors and kinds. Some come in bright and new and have evidently been purchased for the mission. Many of the toys, however, are sent to sadly worn and broken. In some cases they are beyond repair. Maj. Simmons believes in sending the poor children toys fixed or none at all. A number of young men skilled in the work have been visiting the headquarters of the mission in the evenings this week and repairing toys as a contribution to charity.

Many of the large department stores of the city make liberal contributions to the toy mission, and, of course, these toys are always bright and new. Wholesale dealers are also liberal in their gifts. In former years the majority of the donations were made in toys and dolls, but this year many private individuals have sent sums of money to be used by the promoters of the mission as they think best.

The mission has many sources of information in finding its needy families. The chief contributors are the department of charities and the anti-cruelty societies of both Pittsburgh and Allegheny. All homes, orphan asylums and temporary refuges for children are requested to send lists of their inmates and boxes are sent to them. A large box containing toys and clothing is annually sent to the families of the Rev. William Wegener, a Presbyterian missionary among the Slavish families in the coke regions. This year a box will be sent to the Rev. H. H. Crouch, a missionary at Holdenville, Indian territory.

The distribution will begin at 9 o'clock Tuesday morning and will last the rest of the day.

Another charity of the toy mission which is not generally known is the providing of Christmas baskets for a number of indigent old people. There are a number of names of this kind handed in every year, and to each family is sent a comfortable basket of provisions the night before Christmas.

A great table in the headquarters of the mission is now loaded with toys and dolls of all kinds. These have not yet been wrapped. In other parts of the room, piled high toward the ceiling, are hundreds of packages filled with toys and trinkets of various kinds. Before Tuesday comes every toy received by the mission will be wrapped and ready for the child. In a family where there are several children each child is remembered.

The list of contributors has grown larger than ever this year, proving the widespread interest of the people in this deserving charity. Contributions of toys and money are still coming in, and there is every indication that the number of children supplied this year will be larger than ever. A great many requests are coming in, but it seems there will be toys enough to supply all.

Detective Arrested in Scranton.

SCRANTON, PA., Dec. 18.—Daniel McAuliffe, one of the three men shot a week ago in the riot in West Scranton by the Scranton Railway Company officers, who were attempting the arrest of a man accused of attacking motormen and conductors, died today at the Lackawanna hospital. Detective S. P. Cosgrove of New York city is under arrest charged with the fatal shooting.

LAWYER PUT IN JAIL.

Criticised Presiding Judge and Was Fined for Contempt.

CANDO, N. D., Dec. 18.—In the district court Sure Attorney John M. Cochran of Grand Forks started to argue a point of law. Judge J. F. Cowan refused to permit it and Cochran retorted that the action of the court indicated it was prejudiced. The judge fined Cochran $500 for contempt and had him taken to jail when he refused to pay.

Bail was furnished after several hours, and Cochran will take the matter to the supreme court.

Overdue Ship Safe in Port.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 18.—News has been received here of the arrival of the British ship Glenriche at Neah bay, Washington. Reinsurance of 50 per cent had been paid on her.

Open Evenings Till 10 Until Xmas.

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Sale of Xmas Candies

At about half the prices ruling elsewhere for corresponding qualities.

An especially fine Mixture for Sunday School Treats—Chocolates, Bon Bons, French Creams, Kisses, Wafers, etc.—2 lbs. for 25c cannot be equaled elsewhere at double this price.....

EXTRA CHOICE Bon Bons, Buttercups, Cream Wafers, Creamed Dates, Chocolate Dates, etc.—made to our order especially for Sunday School Treats—the finest Candies ever offered at **10c lb.**

DELICIOUS CHOCOLATE Cream Drops—the good old fashioned kind—always sold for 25c lb.—today at **15c lb.**

"LE VERE" CHOCOLATES—none better made—put up in handsome boxes—usually sold for 75c—our price **40c lb.**

Screens Make Nice Xmas Gifts.

We've Just Purchased 400

At such a big reduction from the usual wholesale price that we can today offer the regular $1.50 Screens at 71c. They're all 3-Fold Screens—

5½ ft. high—5 ft. wide—fine oak frames, filled with Simpson's best and prettiest Silkolines—all colors—Choice for..... 71c

500,000 Handkerchiefs are a good many—more than you can find in any five stores in town put together—but not too many for "The Big Store." Indeed, at the rate they're going now—about 300 dozen per hour—there won't be many left after Christmas. There's nothing more popular for Christmas Gifts than Handkerchiefs. Everybody needs them—wants them—appreciates them. And it's for you to say how much you want to spend—5c or $30 apiece, the latter for real Pointe Lace. Remember, too, that we give

Pretty Handkerchief Boxes, FREE

Not the ordinary kind, but very handsome ones, free to buyers.

Women's Initial Handkerchiefs.

Every kind and style—all initials embroidered by hand—some plain letters, some script—some surrounded with wreaths—some on fine sheer linen—some on the heavy linen.

Women's Initial Handkerchiefs—all pure linen—at..... 10c

Women's Initial Handkerchiefs, with pretty fancy initials—all pure linen—at..... 15c

Women's very fine Embroidered Initial Handkerchiefs, surrounded by pretty wreaths—at..... 25c

Plain Hemstitched Linen Handkerchiefs.

These are most staple merchandise. However, owing to our having placed immense orders direct with the manufacturers, and for spot cash, we can and DO sell them at much lower prices than other local dealers who buy in small lots from some importer or jobber. They can be had in fine sheer or heavy linen, with ⅛, ¼, ½, ¾ and 1 in. hems.

Women's Pure Linen Hemstitched Handkerchiefs—worth 15c—at 10c.

Women's Pure Linen Hemstitched Handkerchiefs—worth 20c—at 15c.

Women's Pure Linen Hemstitched Handkerchiefs—worth 25c—at 15c.

Women's Pure Linen Hemstitched Handkerchiefs—worth 35c—at 25c.

Women's Pure Linen Hemstitched Handkerchiefs—worth 50c—at 35c.

Women's Pure Linen Hemstitched Handkerchiefs—worth 75c—at 48c.

Women's Hand Embroidered Handkerchiefs.

A magnificent assortment of very fine Hand Embroidered Irish Linen Handkerchiefs, and Convent Embroidered Handkerchiefs—daintily embroidered on the finest sheer linen. Women who appreciate fine needlework, will be delighted with these. The stock is so large and varied that it would be next to impossible to describe the different patterns, so we'll just call particular attention to these 4 lots:

LOT 1 — Women's Hand-Embroidered Handkerchiefs—worth 75c—at 48c.

LOT 2 — Women's Hand-Embroidered Handkerchiefs—worth $1.00—at 75c.

LOT 3 — Women's Hand-Embroidered Handkerchiefs—worth $1.50—at 98c.

LOT 4 — Women's Hand-Embroidered Handkerchiefs—worth $1.75—at $1.25.

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The Swiss have the art of embroidering Handkerchiefs by machinery down to a fine point. In former years, the edges would wash out—today, they are perfectly fast and can hardly be told from the hand embroidered goods.

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Women's Real Lace Handkerchiefs.

A big Sample lot of Beautiful Real Duchess and Point Lace Handkerchiefs at prices that save you dollars instead of cents. Only 1 of some kinds; 2, 3 and 4 of others.

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Women's Real Lace Handkerchiefs—worth $3.25—for $2.25.

Women's Real Lace Handkerchiefs—worth $5.00—for $3.48.

Women's Real Lace Handkerchiefs—worth $8.50—for $4.98.

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